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To

JOHN LEONARD KENNEY

For his untiring efforts and helpful guidance as our class adviser,

we, the Class of 1949,

dedicate this book.

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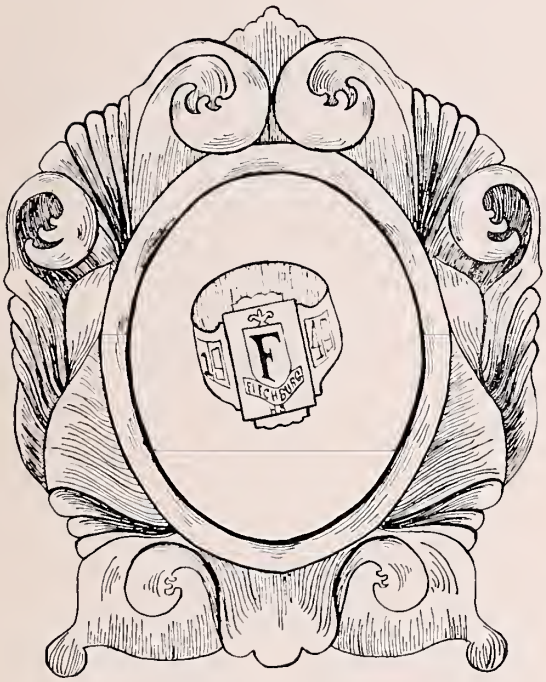

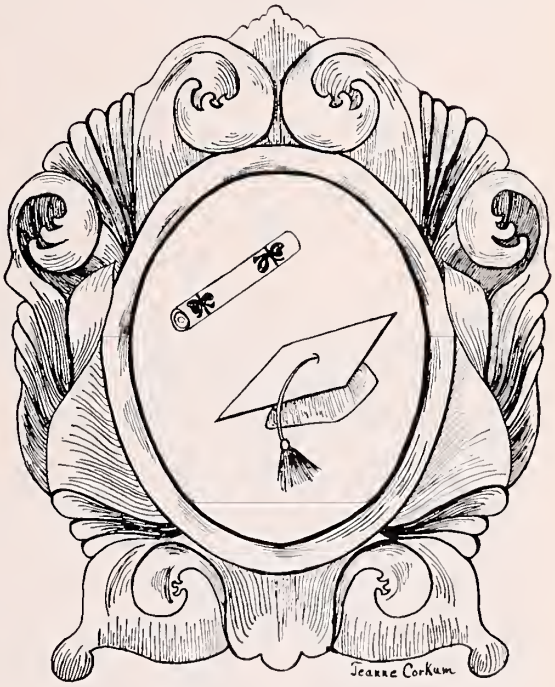

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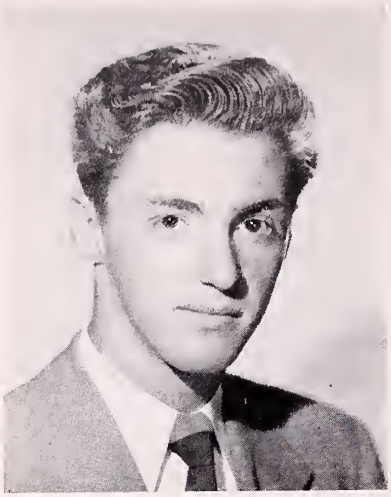


NORMAN PAUL GOGUEN

Friends he has; foes not any.

The good-looking young man pictured here was the best choice for president that the class of '49 could have made. A versatile lad, Red has the ability to do everything well. He played as half back on our football team, and a star guard and captain of the basketball squad. Besides these two sports, Red has been a rather exceptional track man. In 1947 he won the state 100 yard dash championship. Red has shown his ability in dramatics as well as in athletics. He had roles in both the senior open meeting play, and the senior class play. He also acted as a brilliant and charming master of ceremonies at the junior-senior reception and at the variety revue. Being popular with his classmates, Red was chosen as the representative of our school on good government day.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 4; Football 2, 4; Glee Club 2; Home Room Representative 2; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Student Council 2, 3; Track 2, 3, 4; President of Class 3, 4.

SHIRLEY JANE AALTONEN

Dainty and neat, a maiden petite.

Petite and popular may best describe our efficient class secretary. Although she may be small in stature, she accomplishes things in no small way. She has been prominent in Dramatic presentations throughout her high school years. Due to her excellent performance in the open meeting of the Dramatic Club during her Sophomore year, she was awarded the prize for the best actress of the play. Since then she has appeared in junior and senior competitive plays together with the Senior Class Play. Shirley plans to attend college next fall, but as yet is undecided as to where she will go.

Basketball 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Alternate Representative 2; Round Table 4; Student Council 2; Volleyball 2; Class Officer 3, 4; Majorette 3, 4; Dramatic Club Officer 4; Best Actress of Competitive Play 2; Senior Class Play.

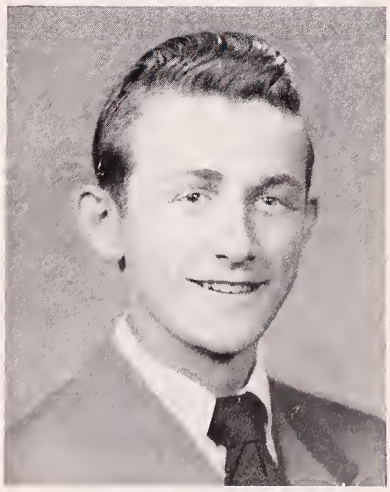
CLASS OFFICERS

MONA DAWN IRVINE

She's here she's there, she's all about,
Lots of pep and a real good scout.

Mona, our lively vice-president, seems to be able to do everything well. She is not only outstanding in extra-curricular activities, but also an exceptionally fine student. Mona is full of life and likes many things. She has fascinated us often with her fine dancing. Her expression and grace are really something to see. As an actress Mona has made a hit in all our dramatic productions. She did especially fine job in "Command Performance" where her farewell scene moved many of the audience to tears. Mona is also an active cheer leader, who puts her every effort into leading us in our cheers.

Basketball 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Round Table 4; Student Council 2; Volleyball 2; Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice-President Dramatic Club 4; Vice-President of Class 3, 4; D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award 4; Best Actress of Competitive plays 3, 4; Senior Class Play.



EDWARD PHILIP WALSH

His value we realize.

Eddie, our class treasurer, is a part-timer who works in the school bank. His great popularity is due to the quiet, amiable manner by which he succeeds in making friends. Eddie is also very popular with girls; maybe one of the reasons for this is his excellent dancing. One of the finest saxophone players in the school, he has demonstrated his ability for us at many school functions. Being sports-minded, Eddie plays basketball in a league at the "Y". He also ran for us in the junior-senior relay. The Navy is the course which Eddie will chart after graduation.

Band 2, 3; Home Room Representative 2; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Orchestra 2, 3.

CARL EDWARD ABLETT

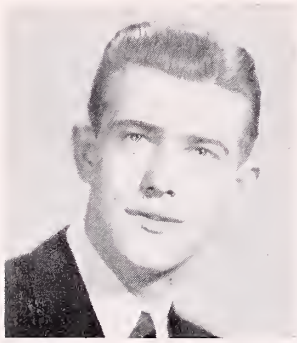
Bashfulness is an ornament to youth.

Eddie is one of those bashful senior boys. He comes from Shirley Center. Eddie does very well in his school work and his name is always on the honor roll. Like quite a few others, he is interested in stamp collecting and has many interesting and valuable specimens in his collection. Eddie would like to join the air force after graduation. Happy landings, Ed!

FRANCES RUTH ADAMS

Kind and quiet and always neat,
She'll find friends in all she meets.

Although "Fran" is rather shy in the classroom she is really a very gay and lively girl. Her merry smile and happy greetings are responsible for her many friends. One can always count on her to have a good time. Fran is an ardent sports fan being principally interested in swimming. She is always willing to lend a helping hand.



RALPH GWYNNE ADAMS

His good humor overcomes all obstacles.

Bud can always be identified by his flashy neckties. He is one of the few boys who now wear them all the time and so he takes advantage of the fact. Bud has a nice line of chatter and with it he can persuade any one to do just what he wants. He can also be seen driving his "sporty" Ford or the family's new Mercury. If you ask him, he will give you a ride.

Band 2.

FRANKLIN CHARLES ALARIO

The world belongs to the energetic.

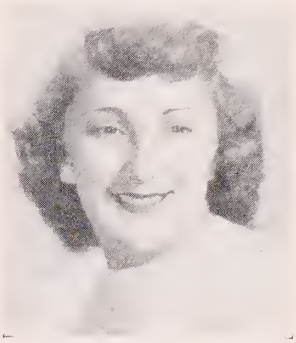
Babe, as he is called by his friends, may be seen working at Brockelman's store at almost any time of the day. He is an ardent sports fan, baseball being the favorite. Babe plans to continue his education after graduation.

Band 2; Orchestra 2.

MARILYN LOIS ALDRICH

As merry as the day is long.

Marilyn known as "Ollie" is one of our happy-go-lucky classmates from West Fitchburg. She has a wonderful smile and her dimples are the envy of everyone. We understand that she is an enthusiastic sports fan and during the winter can usually be found out in her backyard practicing the latest methods.



RITA MARY ALLEN

She could dance the whole night through.

Rita, a girl who possesses an attractive personality and cheery smile, enjoys dancing and has become quite successful at it. In the fall she plans to enter the New England School of Business Science to take up accounting. We wish her success in the future.

Basketball 2, 3; Dramatic Club 2; Volleyball 2, 3, 4.

ROWENA JANE ALLEN

Full of mischief, a jolly good sport.

Jane, a popular, light-haired miss, is a real lover of horses. She has two horses of her own and spends much of her time with them. Being a confirmed movie fan, Jane attends every movie that she possibly can, especially ones with fencing in them. Jane enjoys flying and has taken many trips aloft with friends of hers. After graduation she would like to become an airline hostess.

Basketball 2, 3; Class Color Committee 3; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Assembly 3; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Prom Committee 3; Ski Club 3; Tennis 3, 4; Volleyball 2, 3; Write-up Committee 4; Variety Review.

JEAN MARIE AMBLO

A quiet manner hid the mischief in her eye.

Jean is a carefree type of girl who enjoys dancing to the music of a good orchestra. In her spare time she may be found busily engaged in her favorite pastimes—roller skating and knitting. We are told she is quite accomplished in both. After graduation Jean would like to be a stenographer with some large firm.

Junior Assembly 3.

MARGUERITE MAY AMBLO

Breezy and jolly is she always.

A true friend and a conscientious student, Marguerite is always good natured and ready to help anyone in need. The lovely red cheeks and the sweet voice of Marguerite are really something to see and hear. Her favorite sport is skiing and, of course, she excels in it as she does in everything she attempts. Marguerite plans to go to college and to become an airline hostess.

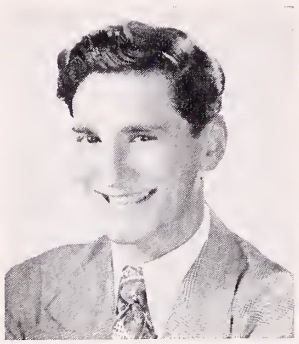
Dramatic Club 2; Glee Club 2.

NANCY EMILY ANDERSON

You can't beat me for all-around cheeriness.

"A girl who never hurries" describes Nan to the letter. She may always be seen sauntering slowly down the corridor. She has merry blue eyes that twinkle mischievously when she smiles. Her favorite pastime is waiting outside a classroom until the last bell has rung.

Glee Club 2, 3; Volleyball 2.

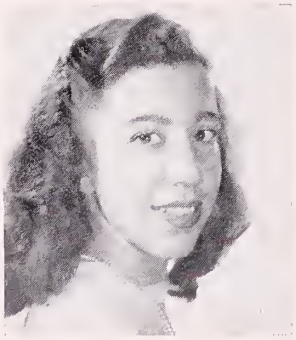


JAMES ANGELOS

The life of all classes, and the death of all teachers.

Make, as he is better known to everyone, is truly what his quotation says. He is continually laughing and joking with someone and usually succeeds in making his companion laugh too. His efforts as a cheerleader for the past four years have made us more lively and peppy at all of our athletic contests. One of his famous sayings is "What a boner I just pulled." He can be recognized by his crop of black hair and dashing walk. Make is so small he has to take two steps before he moves.

Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Home Room Representative 2; Alternate Representative 4; Junior Assembly 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3; Senior Assembly 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4; Senior Class Play; Variety Review 3, 4.



BARBARA ANN ARAUJO

A merry heart doeth like a medicine.

Because she has a friendly personality and a fine sense of humor, Barb is the type of girl everyone enjoys having around. She has been the captain of many winning teams in gym classes. Her hobbies are dancing, volleyball, and basketball. Her future plans are undecided.

Basketball 2, 3; Glee Club 2, 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Assembly 4; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Variety Review 3, 4.

JOAN BEVERLY ATWOOD

Shy and demure in looks is she.

Joan is a quiet lass with light brown hair. She is extremely well-liked by her classmates and all who know her. A very active person, she particularly enjoys basketball and bowling. Good music and good books occupy permanent places in her heart. During her senior year, Joan was a very valuable member of the class-book committee. After graduation, Joan plans to attend a secretarial school.

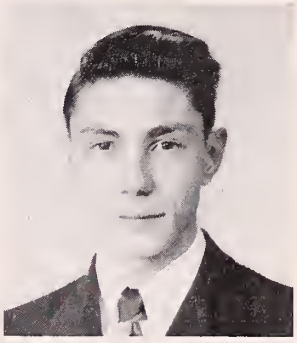
Basketball 2, 3; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Assembly 3; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4.

CARL GRISWOLD BADSTUBNER

What a wondrous life is this I lead.

Carl, one of those tall, dark, silent boys, shows a great interest in the Science Department. He is a lover of sports, enjoys watching the athletic contests as well as participating in them. So far as we know, Carl has no plans for the immediate future, although he is thinking of attending some school of science.

Junior Assembly 3; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.



GEORGE ADOLPHE BEAUCHAMP

Happiness seems to be made to be shared.

Fuzzy can make you grin in a jiffy. His wonderful humor takes away all your worries. Fuzzy, who likes track, can be seen at all of our track teams' meets. Formerly he worked at the Fitchburg Theatre where he saw all the latest movies, but now his television set takes the place of the movies.

Ski Club 4.

EUGENE JOSEPH BEAUDETTE

Men of few words are the best.

Gene came to us from Leominster High School at the beginning of his junior year, but because of his good looks and quiet ways has made inumerable friends during his brief stay. He hopes to play professional baseball when he gets out of school. Good luck, Gene; the Boston Red Sox need a good left-handed pitcher.

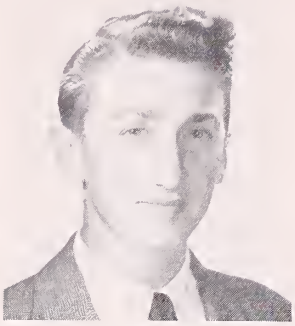
Baseball 3, 4.

CLAIRE LUCILLE BEAULAC

Quietude with flashes of humor.

Claire is one of our modest, unassuming classmates who does everything in a thorough efficient manner. She's of medium height, slim, and has a merry twinkle in her eyes that somewhat belies her nature. Being industrious in her studies, Claire should make good in anything she tries to do after graduation.

Basketball 2, 3.

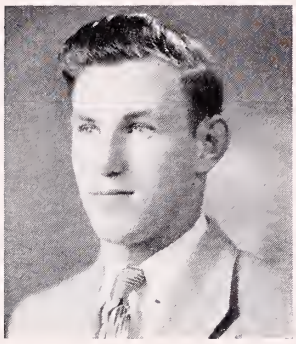


ROBERT LEON BEGIN

Humor is the harmony in the heart.

Bob is a talkative, fun-loving fellow who is always ready for a good time. It can never be truthfully said that Bob has ever been at a loss for words. He is an enthusiastic sports fan who rarely misses a game. He is a very good bowler and belonged to the bowling team at F.H.S.

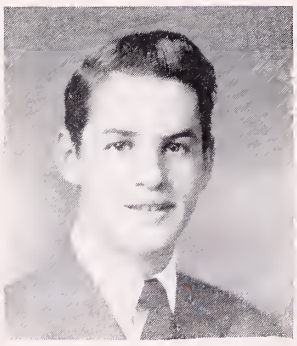
Junior-Senior Relay 3.



PAUL JOSEPH BELLETETE

You all know him—happy, full of fun,
He coaxes a smile from everyone.

Paul comes from the little town of South Ashburnham, where he is noted for attending all of the old fashioned square dances. During the winter months he spends much of his time skating on the ponds in and near his home town. Paul spends much of his time at the movies. Paul has no definite plans for the future.

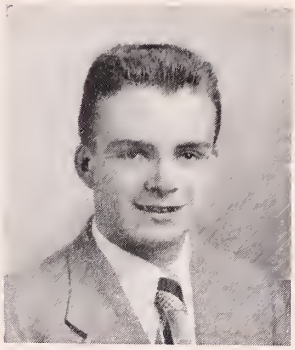


ROBERT ARTHUR BERNDT

Virtue alone is true nobility.

"Beans" is one of our Turner Hall boys. We hear he is quite good on the basketball floor there. You've heard the saying "to be seen and not heard"; that describes Beans' basketball playing. Bob was one of our better ball players in the intra-mural league. He may usually be seen wearing his bright red Monarch jacket. The thing that puzzles us most is, Where did you get the name Beans?

Basketball 3.

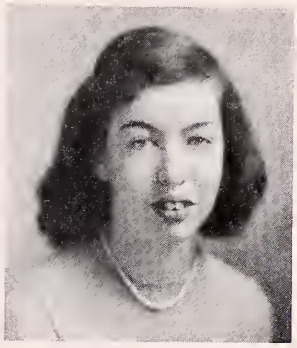


WILLIAM EDWARD BERNIER

If only the world were made of snow.

Bill is one of the finest skiers in F.H.S. He eats, sleeps, thinks, and talks skiing. Bill has won quite a few medals for racing on skis but being a little bashful, he doesn't say much about them. Bill was one of our gridiron stalwarts this past season and played a very good game as guard. He has an outstanding personality and all who know him are attracted to him. One of his little known attributes is his musical ability. Why the crew cut all the time, Bill?

Band 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Home Room Representative 2, 3; Junior Prom Committee, chairman, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Round Table 4; Ski Club 4; Student Council 4; Write-up Committee 4.



HARRIET CAMERON BIRNIE

Rather quiet, rather shy, but a twinkle in her eye.

Although you do not hear much about Harriet, she is very prominent in school and church affairs. She always tries to get her work done quickly and without bothering anyone. She has a very contagious laugh which is usually accompanied by her cheeks becoming pink. After high school she plans to go into nursing.

Round Table 4.

LILLIAN JEANNE BOSSERDET

Brooklyn born and proud of it.

"Lil", as she is better known to her friends, is a girl who is always raring to go. She wears really sharp clothes and can usually be seen with her inseparable friend Nancy. "Lil" is an active member of the student council. If she is in a good mood, as she usually is, "Lil" will put on her Brooklyn accent for you. Lillian plans to go to a secretarial school in New York after graduation and we wish her all the luck in the world.

Glee Club 2; Home Room Representative 2, 3; Alternate Representative 4; *Red & Gray* Board 3, 4; Senior Prom Committee 4; Student Council 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4.

JOSEPH EDGAR ANDRE BOURGEOIS

He is often seen but seldom heard.

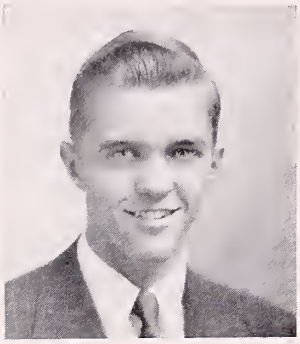
Edgar is a rather quiet studious type of boy who comes from Shirley. You might have seen him driving his new Hudson to school every morning. Edgar doesn't care for sports but does attend most of our school functions. He has not made any plans for the future, but at present he is working at a Drug Store in Shirley.

DENNIS FRANCIS BRAILEY

I'll be merry, I'll be free;
I'll be sad for nobody.

Dennis is the popular manager of our baseball and basketball teams and he does a good job for both; just ask the boys who play. He is one of the quieter members of our class, although he is very lively with his intimate friends. He has a ready sense of humor and keeps things hopping with his witty remarks in "Chem" class. We hear he is planning to run for mayor of Highland Avenue. We hope he makes it.

Baseball Manager 3, 4; Basketball Manager 3.



JACK RICHARD BRAKS

They are never alone who are accompanied by noble thoughts.

Dick, a very active member of our student council and editor of the *Boulder*. He is well-liked by all his classmates. He is a "crack" at baseball, and outstanding on the basketball court. Although he may appear quiet and rather reserved, he is a fun-loving, good-humored, boy who will certainly go far. Dick plans to enter some field of engineering after graduation.

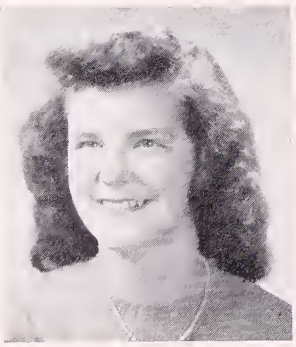
Baseball 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Glee Club 2; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Senior Prom Committee 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4; Editor of Classbook 4.

BETTINA BROOKS

Silence is more eloquent than words.

A quiet girl with beautiful hazel eyes is "Tina". She is right at home on a basketball court. Another of her favorite sports is skiing. She has proven her skill in knitting by those sharp sweaters and socks she wears. Her good humor and pleasant ways have won many friends for "Tina". Keep that cheery smile and sparkling personality and you will be happy. Although she is undecided about the future, we know she will always be successful.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Woman's Club 4.



NANCY LOUISE BROWNELL

A smile that glows with friendship.

Nancy is a snappy little girl with a flair for the unusual. She appears quiet and subdued, but her many good friends know that she is full of fun, and loves nothing better than an evening with her companions. She is an ardent sports enthusiast and is especially fond of swimming and dancing. A little office work and "homemaking" seem to be in Nancy's plans.

Dramatic Club 2; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Assembly 4.

GENEVIEVE BARBARA CAISSEY

Cheerfulness is a friend of grace.

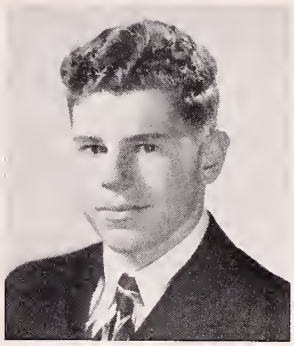
Genny has short, blonde hair and marvelous twinkling eyes. She is very well known for her initiative and sparkling personality. Genny makes studying seem enjoyable, and study she does. She has been an honor student since she has been in high school. Genny is very fond of dancing and tries to do as much of it as is possible. Her favorite subject is bookkeeping and she is very interested in that type of work. Genny is working part-time in a downtown office but has no definite plans for the future.

Basketball 2; Glee Club 3; Junior Assembly 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Assembly 4; Volleyball 2; Write-up Committee 4; Radio Club 3.

JOSEPH WILFRED CAOUETTE

Always agreeable and cheerful is he.

Joe, with his curly hair and infectious smile, comes down to us from the wilds of South Ashburnham. He is quiet in manner but still very active. His favorite outdoor recreations are hunting and fishing, while basketball is his indoor favorite. Since he is adept at taxidermy, Joe can stuff the animals he shoots. Joe intends to begin his career as a Navy man in June.

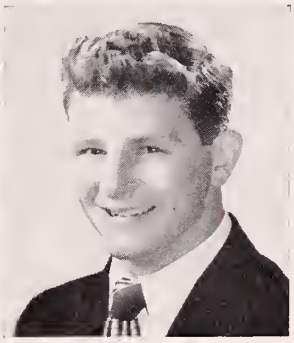


ARTHUR LAWRENCE CAPONE

He is small, but oh my!!

"L'll Art" or "Cap", as he is called by his friends, is one of our outstanding athletes. "Cap" was chosen the most valuable football player during his senior year and was elected co-captain of the football team. He is the proud owner of one of the best tenor voices in school and is one of the few boys who owns his own car. He is very good-natured and enjoys a good time, although he has his serious moments. Arthur's plans for the future are to join the U. S. Navy. We all wish "L'll Art" luck in the future.

Baseball 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2; Home Room Representative 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Senior Prom Committee 4; State Representative 4.



BLANCHE IRENE CARBONNEAU

Red hair and brown eyes are a lovely combination.

Blanche, the lively red-head whom we inherited from St. Bernard's High School two years ago, plans to enter Burbank Hospital nurses training school after graduation. There is no number to the friends she has from both schools. Blanche's main interests lie in dancing and attending the cinema. With a personality like hers she will win many a patients heart.

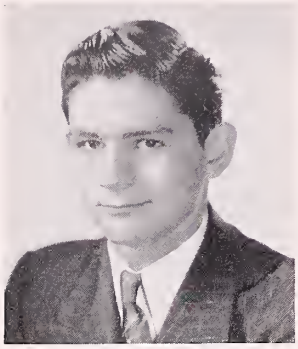
Junior-Senior Reception 3.

JAMES FREDRICK CAREY

Born with the gift of laughter.

Jim is a big fellow with a pleasant smile which appears at the slightest inclination. Of the athletic type, he played tackle on our football team during his high school career. His German clip is the envy of all of us, and we have seldom seen him without one. Jim hasn't decided what he will do after he leaves F.H.S.

Dramatic Club 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Junior Assembly 3; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Thanksgiving Dance Committee.



DAMON ARMISTICE CARLETON

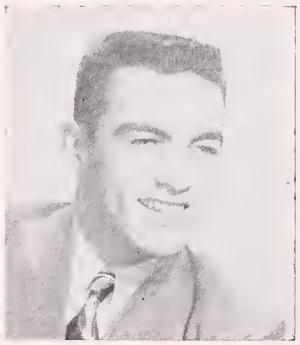
Intermingled mirth and earnestness.

A tall, good-looking boy from South Ashburnham, Damon is a really sincere fellow. He has the unusual hobby of raising racing pigeons. He likes all active outdoor sports, especially baseball and football. Some branch of the armed services will be Damon's future occupation.

DAVID WALKER CARLSON

He may appear studious, but is not truthfully so.

"Dave" or "Brud", as he is called, is one of those happy-go-lucky, extremely cheerful boys who never lets anything bother him. His fine work as manager of the football squad will not be forgotten for quite a while. "Brud's" hearty laugh can be heard everywhere, especially in English class. After graduation "Dave" is very much interested in going to an aviation school in Indiana and we know with his irresistible charm he is sure to have good fortune.



DONALD EARL CASWELL

Casey would waltz with the strawberry blond
and the band played on.

Due to Donald's ability to dance, he is much in demand at all dances he attends. He is one of the many boys who is always trying to brighten up a quiet classroom with his never-ceasing pranks. If you frequently visit Westminster you have probably seen him delivering groceries for Johnny's Market. One of his favorite sports is swimming, and how the girls admire his manly muscles.

Football 2.

CYNTHIA ANN CHABOT

A little time for laughter.

This attractive, neatly-clad girl, known as "Cyn", could never be taken for the twin of Shirley. With her witty remarks and engaging smile, Cyn has a special knack of winning friends easily. During the summer she acquires her lovely tan at Hampton Beach. "Cyn" plans to enter business college after graduation.

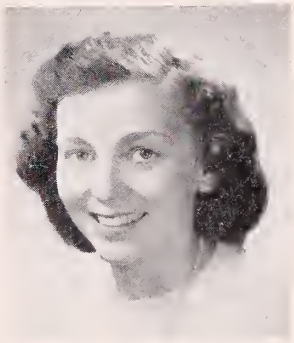
Basketball 3, 4; Alternate Representative 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Volleyball 3, 4.

SHIRLEY MAE CHABOT

Merrily I make my way through life day by day.

Her flashing dimples and sparkling smile easily win all whom Shirley mets. Laughter and good humor accompany her wherever she may go, for making people see the brighter side of life is one of her outstanding characteristics. Next fall Shirley plans to enter business college.

Basketball 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Volleyball 3.



RUTH ESTHER CHALMERS

Cheerfulness helps us along the path of life.

Ruth is a popular miss who literally bubbles over with vivacity. She enjoys reading and has a large library. English is the subject she enjoys the most. In her spare time she works in a local clothing store and is quite an efficient salesgirl. Her work on the class book was invaluable. Ruth's plans for the future are not yet definite but will probably be domestic.

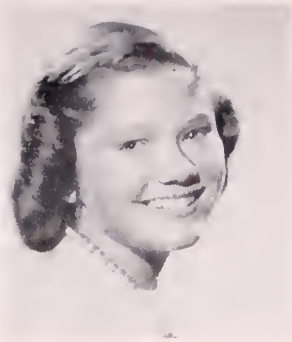
Assistant Editor of Classbook; Class Ring Committee 3; Home Room Representative 3; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Round Table 4; Senior Class Play; Open Meeting of Dramatic Club 3, 4.

BEVERLY JOANNE CHASE

Yonder sits a maiden, the fairest of the fair.

Blonde and Bronx-born, an unbeatable combination, "Bev" is one of the most attractive and popular lasses in the class of '49. "Bev" can be depended upon to do her share of the work, no matter what the order of the day may be. She was a great asset to the *Boulder*, an active member of the dramatic club, and has taken part in many presentations. She enjoys skiing, dancing, and swimming. Bev hopes to study journalism at Columbia University.

Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Round Table 4; Co-Chairman Write-up Committee 4; Open Meeting Dramatic Club 2, 4; Radio Club 2; Senior Class Play 4; Variety Revue 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3.

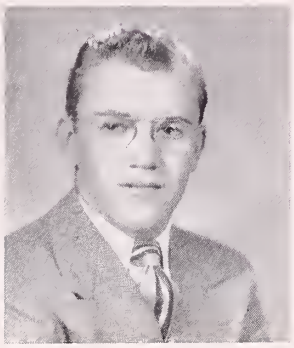


RUTH MARY CLARK

Come, and trip it, as you go, on the light fantastic toe.

A small girl with an impish smile is Ruthie. Her attractive personality and ability to win friends, along with her high marks, have made her one of the outstanding members of the class. Ruthie has shown her talent for dancing, by performing in various school functions. Perhaps she will follow this talent in the future.

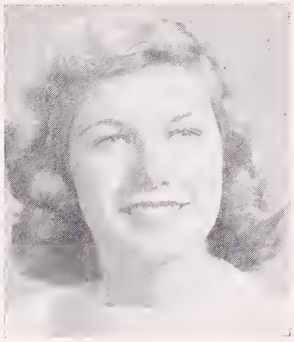
Basketball 2; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Prom Committee 4; Write-up Committee 4; Senior Class Play 4.



WILLIAM ALBERT CLOUTHIER, JR.

The real character of a man is found out by his amusements.

Bill is the fellow with the friendly grin, and the large collection of pictures in his wallet. We notice that after every summer vacation there are a few more pictures added to his wallet. Bill is a good dancer; this helps to make him more acquaintances. He is very naval minded and expects to join the Navy in June.

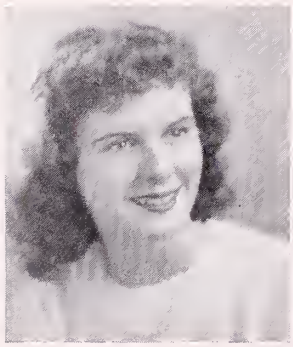


JEANNE MAE CORKUM

Art is indeed not the bread but the wine of life.

Fun-loving Jeanne is welcome wherever she goes. Besides being an excellent student, she excels in art. She has designed a number of covers for *The Red & Gray*. After graduation Jeanne intends to enter a school of nursing. With her initiative we know she will be successful in her chosen field.

Basketball 2, 3; Classbook 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Prom Committee 4; Volleyball 2, 3, 4.



DORIS JEAN CORMIER

A merry girl with a pleasant smile.

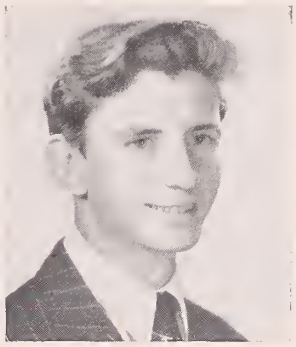
Doris is friendly and smiling whenever you see her. She is one of the fortunate girls, blessed with beautiful curly hair. During the football season you usually saw her sitting beside the coach taking his dictation—quite an attraction to the bench. She is an excellent dancer and collects all the latest hit tunes. Doris's plans for the future are not definite.

Basketball 2, 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Tennis 2; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4; Volleyball 2, 3.

NORINE ANN CORMIER

To do easily what is difficult for others is the mark of talent.

In school Norine is noted for her nice smile and studious nature. She has lovely dark hair and dark eyes to go with it. Norine enjoys both semi-classical and popular music. She likes sports—particularly swimming and bowling. Norine loves to spend an afternoon by going to a picnic or a baseball game. Norine has not decided what she will do after graduation.

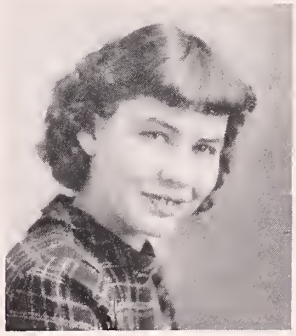


LEON ARMAND COTE, JR.

Quiet, unassuming, reserved, and thoughtful.

Leon is one of the more serious members of our class, who has always maintained a fine scholastic standing. Though interested in many sports, his favorite is basketball. He is an active member in a youth church fellowship. Lee is a part-timer who works in the school bank for Mr. Howard.

Basketball 3, 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4.



MARY MARGARET COURTNEY

Sweetly, prettily, she winds her helpful way.

Mary is the type of person who would go miles out of her way to do a favor to a friend; yet she never asks anything for herself. This modesty has gained for her respect and admiration from her friends. Sweet and pretty, Mary is usually quiet and retiring. We know that in the future Mary will be the same; the gentle person that she is now.

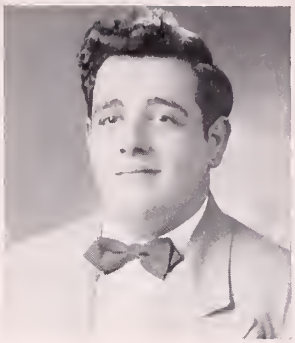
Junior Prom Committee 3.

RICHARD ALLEN CRAWFORD

One can easily pick a wise man by the things he doesn't say.

That tall slender blond whom you see walking the fourth floor corridor in the morning, seconds before the last bell is Richie. Good nature being his chief attribute makes him well liked by all. His favorite pastime is skiing on the nearby hills, but this was a bad winter for his favorite sport. It wouldn't surprise us one bit if he became another Hannes Schneider.

Basketball 4; Dramatic Club 2; Ski Club 4.

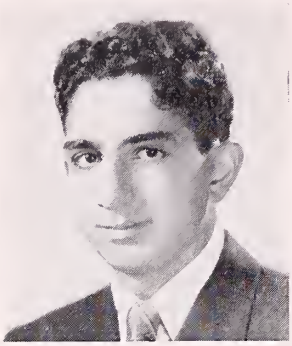


SALVATORE JOSEPH CUCCHIARA

I always dodge the scales.

Sammy is one of the boys in the class with a good sense of humor. He can always be found in a crowd by his deep and cheerful laugh. Sammy is an example of the saying "A fat man is always jolly." After graduation he plans to continue his education.

Band 2; Debating Club 4, Dramatic Club 4, Junior-Senior Reception 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3.

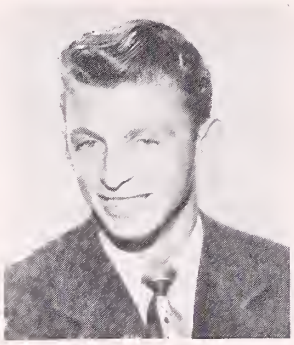


ZEROON DAMBOORAJIAN

Jolly, well-liked, a good student, too.

"Zet", as he is known to all, is a dark-haired boy with a mischievous twinkle in his eye. He's always ready for a good time and the East Side certainly isn't dull with "Zet's" living there. He is an exceptionally good student and a Gold F student. "Zet" hopes to be a pharmacist.

Class Motto Committee 3; Debating Club 3; Glee Club 2; Home Room Representative 2; Alternate Representative 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3.

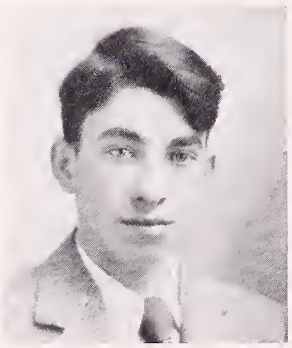


GERALD PHILIP DARCANGELO

To be of use in the world is the only way to be happy.

One of the busiest and most useful members of our class, Jerry has served as president of the student council and was elected State Senator on Good Government day. Jerry's personality holds forth under any circumstances. He always has a ready smile and a friendly word for all. As an actor, Jerry has made quite a hit with the F.H.S. audiences. Jerry plans to join Uncle Sam's Navy and we see that he already has his sea legs, if you know what we mean.

Dramatic Club 3, 4; Football 2, 3; Home Room Representative 3, 4; Junior Assembly 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3; *Red & Gray* Board 4; Student Council 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4.

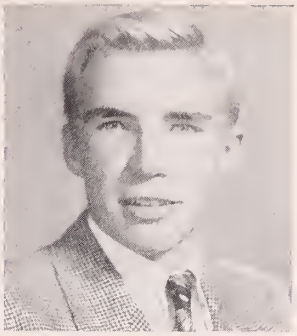


NOEL DAVIS

The man who keeps his temper is immeasurably stronger than he who loses it.

Noel is, without a doubt, the only boy in the history of the school who has cheered for both Fitchburg and Leominster on Thanksgiving Day. You see, he lives in Leominster, where his father is principal of Leominster High School. He is wide awake in a classroom, and he comes out with some pretty brilliant answers. Already, this well-liked boy has drawn quite a few friends to him.

Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Ski Club 4; Tennis 4; Intramural Basketball 4.

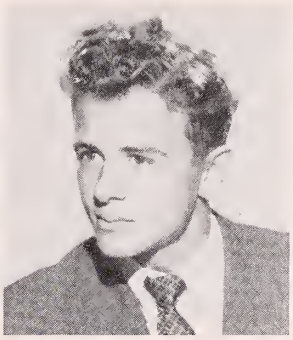


NORD WILLIAM DAVIS, JR.

Peace is a virtue.

Better known as "Soog", Nord is so quiet you probably have missed him; if so, your loss is great. He is a great lover of basketball, and is the envy of his gym class. Nord lives in Shirley and commutes daily in his "sporty" beach-wagon. We're not sure of his future plans.

Exhibit Committee 4; Track 4.

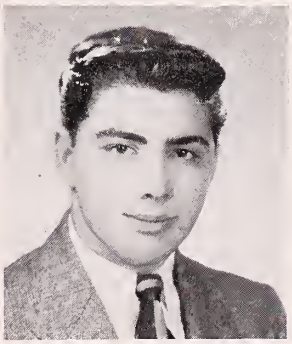


LOUIS M. DeCICCO, JR.

And back again his curls he threw.

Tall, dark, and friendly are the adjectives that best describe our "Louie". With his curly hair and sunny disposition, he is quite a distinctive member of our class. Swimming and football head his list of sports and he does most of the former at Cape Cod. The medical profession will claim Louie after graduation.

Baseball 4; Basketball 4; Dramatic Club 2; Football 2, 3; Junior Assembly 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3; Thanksgiving Dance Committe 3; Track 2.



PASQUALE DELLOGONO

What should a man do but be merry.

Patsy who is a jolly and carefree lad is usually known by his wisecracks. He doesn't appear to be a studious person, but he manages to get by all right. Although Patsy doesn't participate in sports, he can be seen as a supporter at all the games. His favorite pastimes are dancing and mechanics. Almost anytime he can be seen working on a car at a local garage.

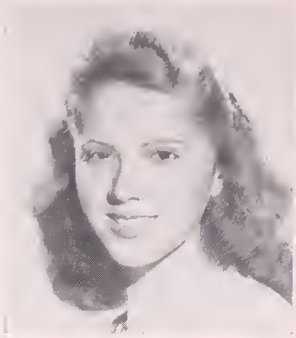
Junior-Senior Relay Race 3, 4.

MARILYN DOROTHY DEMPSEY

A merry disposition is sunshine in a house.

Marilyn is a lively little girl with a sunny disposition. Since she has had her driver's license, she has been seen cruising around in her father's "Olds." She enjoys almost any form of entertainment. Marilyn was a member of the Senior girls' sextet. Her present plans are to attend Fitchburg State Teachers College and become a teacher.

Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Variety Review 4.

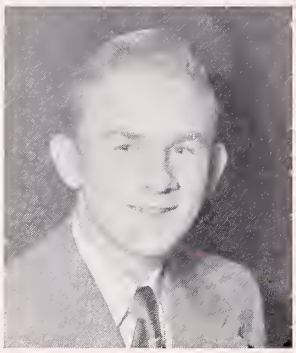


JULIETTE BERTHA DENAULT

She smiled and shadows departed.

Julie is a very attractive girl and is quite popular among her classmates. One of Julie's favorite pastimes is roller-skating and she may often be seen at the Whalom Rink. There are so many fine things about her that we do not really know where to begin. Julie's plans for the future are domestic.

Glee Club 2, 3.



DONALD KENNETH DENTON

Honor lies in honest toil.

Don may be classified as somewhat of an expert. He knows all about cars, cameras, and almost any type of machine. Besides girls, he likes hunting and skiing, which he does as much as possible after his work is done. Don hasn't made any definite plans but he would like to go to Wentworth Institute of Technology.

Home Room Representative 2; Write-up Committee 4.

MARIE JEAN DiGERONIMO

A friend to all she knew.

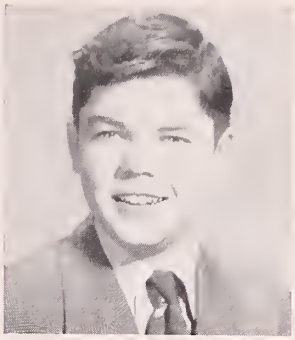
A fun-loving, sports enthusiast is Marie. She enjoys a good time and always contributes her share of the fun. Among the sports she enjoys most, swimming, basketball, and ice-skating head the list. Marie is undecided about her future. May every success be yours, Marie.

Basketball 2, 3; Volleyball 2.

ANITA CHRISTINA DiMOLA

Laugh and you are not alone.

Shy, quiet Anita is actually one of the merriest, liveliest girls of our class. Not much studying is accomplished if Anita is present in a study class. She invariably keeps the class entertained with her amusing antics. Anita came to us from New York state. We do not know her plans for the future.



THOMAS MYLES DOOLING, JR.

Good temper is like a sunny day.

Although Tom is one of the quieter members of our class, he has a somewhat different way of making himself heard—he is one of our drummer boys. A loyal member of the F. H. S. band, he always has its best interests at heart. After graduation, we believe Tom plans to attend Holy Cross.

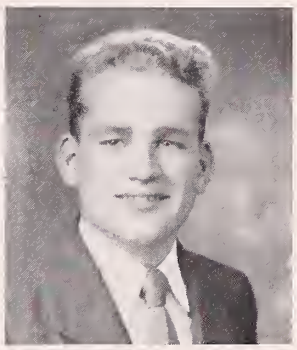
Band 2, 3, 4; Debating Club 4; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Relay 3; Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Ski Club 4; Class Book 4.

ALICE DORI

The kind of girl who doesn't shirk,
and is always ready to do her work.

Alice, another of our part timers, is one of our busy girls around school. She always seems to find plenty to do in the way of helping others. Right now she is working part-time in a local store, but she also helps her father in the running of his gasoline station. Alice is well known for having a very pleasing and friendly personality.

Volleyball 2; Tennis 3; Student Council 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Glee Club 2, 3; Dramatic Club 2, 4; Basketball 2; Chairman Class Ring Committee 2, 3.



LAWRENCE EUGENE DULING

His friends are everywhere.

Larry or "The General," as he is known to all, came to Fitchburg High in his senior year after being discharged from the U. S. Navy. In the many debating forums in which he has appeared, Larry showed his ability in speaking. He is quite a sports star, especially in gym classes. Larry is now working at Harry Doehla's after school, but as to his future he has not made up his mind.

Debating Club 4.

THERESA CLAIRE DUPONT

Little, but mighty.

Theresa, better known as "Muscles," is a diminutive lass from South Fitchburg. Loved by all, she is friendly and enjoyable to be with. Never with a frown or a look of depression, Theresa is always happy. Terry loves to swim and to dance. She likes animals, cats being her favorite.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Senior Prom Committee 4; Volleyball 3, 4.

GILBERT ANTHONY DUPRE

He is a man of his own mind.

Gil is that shy member of our class who rides around on a motorcycle. His main interest lies in that motorcycle and in remodeling old jalopies so they are able to be put to use. Just because he doesn't appear to be interested in the opposite sex, we know this is not entirely true. Gil plans to be a mechanic after graduation.

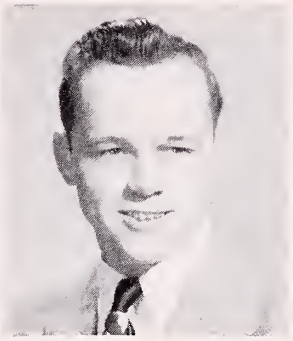
Junior-Senior Relay 4.

EILEEN MARIE DUPRE

Eyes that sparkle as clear mountain waters.

Eileen, a tall girl with sparkling brown eyes, can be seen almost anywhere about the school. We all know her as an ardent sports fan. She also likes sports which she can participate in herself. Her pet hobby is horseback riding. She is planning to go into training at Worcester City Hospital after graduation.

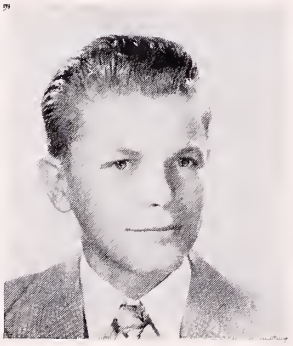
Basketball 2; Volleyball 4; Radio Club 3.



CHARLES ARTHUR DUREN

The great hope of society is individual character.

Charlie, one of the quiet members of our class, came to us from Chelsea his sophomore year. His friends have been astonished at his knowledge of the Holy Bible. We know he can play a musical instrument and has a fine voice for singing, but due to his bashfulness, few of us have heard him. His plans for the future are indefinite but will undoubtedly include agriculture.



LIONEL RICHARD EDES

I say just what I think;
nothing more nor less.

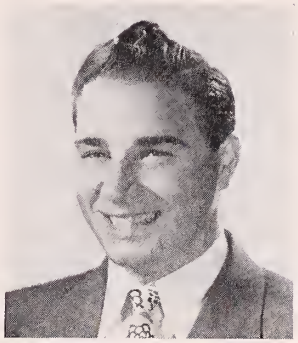
Lionel is a boy who says little but thinks a lot. We believe he is a little shy. Lionel is a very sharp dresser. His favorite hobby is buying clothes of all types; almost every pay day he rushes off and buys something for personal adornment. He tries to make people think he can't dance, but we know differently. Lionel spends many of his evenings at the movies.

Home Room Representative 2.

MARILYN ELDRIDGE

Modesty is the conscience of the body.

Marilyn is known to intimate friends as "The Knitter." She knits in her spare time except, of course, when the football season is in full swing. Our "Mimi" is an expert and rumor has it that she can operate backwards, using mirrors. Marilyn, is always prominent in church affairs. She is an officer in the Christian Endeavor at her church. She plans to enter a dental school after graduation.

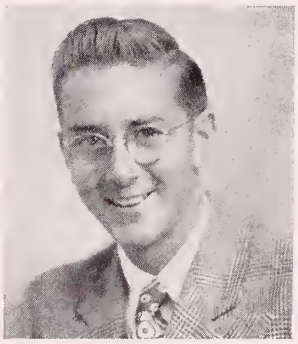


ALEXANDER JAMES EMMA

His good humor is never exhausted.

Meet the boy who always has a friendly smile for everyone. Sonny is famous for his "line," especially with the girls. He is a good musician and plays the clarinet in the school band. Most of all, Sonny will long be remembered for his fine football playing.

Band 2, 3; Football 2, 3, 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Orchestra 3; Senior Prom Committee 4.



KENNETH CEDERHOLM FAHLMAN

He taketh much delight in musical instruments.

Kenny, a well known and well liked boy around school, is usually in a jovial mood. A member of the band and orchestra, he is really very interested in music and he often entertains us with his accordion which he plays very well. Kenny is quite studious and would like to go on to college.

Band 2, 3, 4; Class Book 4; Class Motto Committee 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Assembly 4; Track 4.

ANNA GRACE FERRARA

A gentle maid with quiet modest ways.

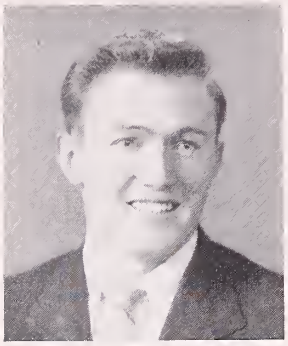
Anna is one of the exceptional girls in our class who has little to say. She is an exceptionally good cook and enjoys cooking very much. Anna is a very good student in the Foods class, and she is always ready to help some of the girls who are not as talented as she is. Anna's goal after she graduates is to become a hairdresser.

Junior-Senior Reception 3.

LEONARD PAUL FERRIS

Oh, give me a home where the buffalo roam.

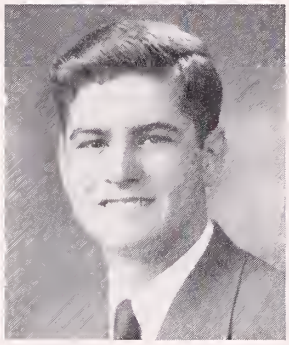
His gay, carefree personality has acquired many friends for him. Fishing, hunting and the other forms of outdoor life come first on his list, and girls come last. As for his future work, he is as yet undecided; however, a cross-country trip with friends of his is first on the agenda.



ROBERT CARROLL FILIAU

Let lessons slide by, what care I.

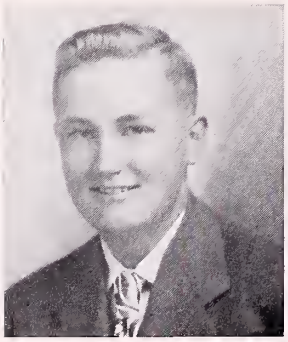
Bob, who is one of the best dressers in the class, is also one of the quietest boys around. He likes to play basketball and, despite his size, he is excellent at the game. Bob spends his spare time working as an usher at the Fitchburg Theater. After graduation, Bob is planning to join the U. S. Navy.



ROLAND ARTHUR FOREST

It is not enough to do good
One must do it in the right way.

Roland, who is a very neat and immaculate dresser, spends his afternoons working at the local A & P store. A good and willing worker, he is always ready to offer his assistance to anyone in need. A keen sports enthusiast, Roland particularly likes basketball and baseball. His favorite pastimes are hunting, fishing, and swimming.

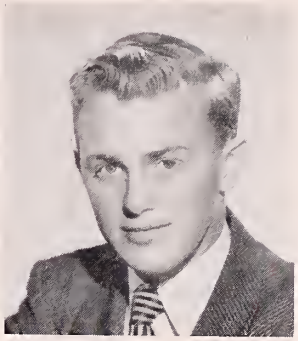


HENRY ERNEST FORSS

Gentle of speech, beneficient of mind.

One of our quiet students, Henry spends most of his time studying. He also has been interested in a few sports and he is very proud of the tennis emblem on his sweater. After school he may often be seen walking with his little dog.

Tennis 3, 4; Intramural Basketball 4.



RAYMOND THOMAS FORTIER

Thoughtful and of utmost sincerity.

When a person meets Ray, that person is drawn to him instantly because of his handsomeness and forthright sincerity. A hard worker at studies and an excellent team mate athletically, he makes a good classmate. These qualities characterize Ray to the letter. We know he always will remain the way he is, a credit to himself and to the class of '49.

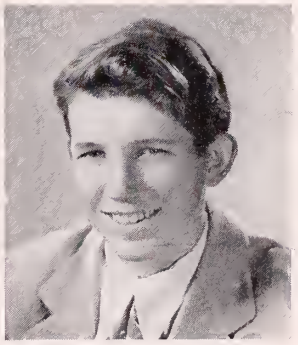
Basketball 2, 3; Class Ring Committee 3, 4; Dramatic Club 4; Football 2, 3; Alternate Representative 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3.

VIRGINIA ANN FORTIER

Beauty, vigor, happiness—these qualities help for a rounded life.

"Gini" is one of the prettiest and liveliest girls in our class. She is thrice blessed with good looks, merriment, and a host of friends. The air of stateliness about her and her quick tongue have made her a fine classmate. Her popularity is due to her ability to put anyone at ease and to her loyalty, which knows no bounds.

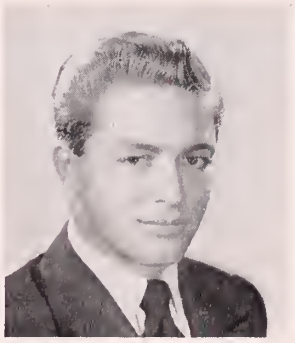
Band 2; Basketball 2; Alternate Representative 2; Junior Prom Committee 3; Orchestra 2; Tennis 4; Volleyball 2; Write-up Committee 4.



JAMES RICHARD FURLONG

I like fun like everyone.

Jim is a good-mannered, polite boy in the senior class. He is so quiet that you have to look twice to see him, and to hear him is almost impossible. Once outside the building, he is a changed man. Jim can be found most of the time working at Brockelman's store but when he has a free moment he spends it hunting or fishing.



ROBERT HARVEY GAGNON

Make much of a good man for they are scarce.

Bob is one of the friendliest senior boys. He has a very pleasant personality and a good sense of humor to go with it. A great deal of Bob's spare time is taken up at dances. Bob thinks he would like to become a lawyer but he has not definitely made up his mind.

Dramatic Club 3, 4; Glee Club 2; Home Room Representative 2; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Senior Assembly 4; Senior Prom Committee 4; Student Council 2; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4; Open Meeting of Dramatic Club 3.

ROBERT PATRICK GALLAGHER

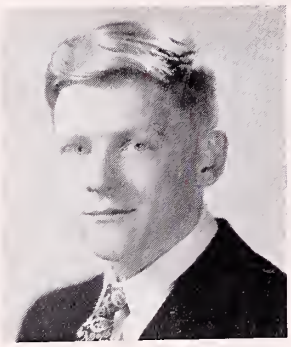
A little mischief now and then
is relished by the best of men.

Meet Bob, a handsome lad with dark wavy hair. He is also a proud resident of West Fitchburg. His part-time job in a local lumber yard keeps him quite busy. Incidentally, we understand that Bob is quite well liked by the nurses at the Burbank Hospital.

GLORIA PEARL GATES

Sweet and silent is her nature.

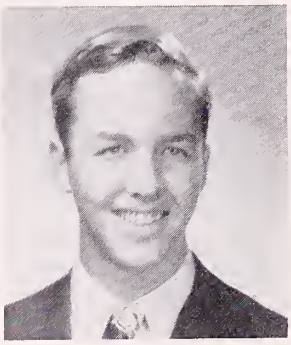
Gloria is a quiet girl with large hazel eyes, which are a very striking feature against her smooth complexion. For the past year Gloria has been working as a secretary in our high school library. Besides being a good cook, Gloria is also an excellent dancer. She spends all her spare time writing letters to a wavy haired boy in Vermont. Her plans for the future center around domestic life.



JOSEPH ALBERT LEON GAUTHIER, JR.

Skill is stronger than strength.

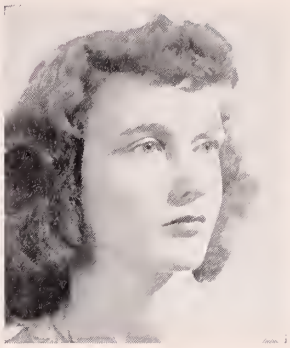
Known as "Joe", this lad is well liked by all his classmates. He can be easily recognized by his sandy hair and blue eyes. Joe has a quick wit and a wonderful sense of humor. A thorough outdoor lad, Joe is especially fond of hunting and life in the wilderness. We also hear that he likes to write about nature. We are sure you will be a success, Joe.



WILLIAM WILLOUGHBY GIBBS

It's a great plague for a man to be handsome.

Bill is one of the permanent fixtures at the Sentinel printing room. If he were not there, there's no telling what would happen. We have discovered from a reliable source that Bill is an avid reader. His plans for the future are incomplete.

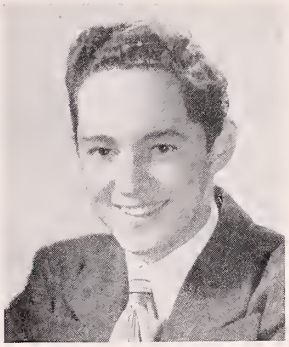


GRACE LOUISE GILBERT

A charming person is she.

A very sweet girl who has a charming personality, Grace is easy to get along with and always has a good word for everyone. Her favorite pastimes are dancing and roller-skating. We hear she does both very well. As yet, Grace hasn't decided what she will do in the future.

Basketball 2.

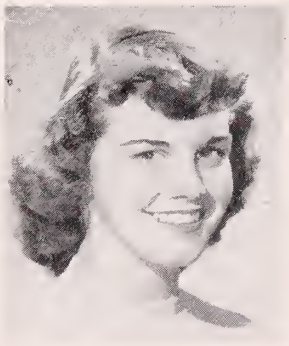


DAVID THOMAS GODLEY

To be merry best becomes you.

Shy but amiable is Dave, the boy with the inexhaustible supply of merriment. He has surprised everyone by growing to such an appreciable height. Dave's interest in sports is unbounded. Swimming is his favorite sport and he excels in it.

Alternate Representative 2; Junior Assembly 3.



DOROTHY ANN GONYEA

A pretty face; a smiling nature.

Dotty is a pretty, smiling combination of sweet demureness and pert vivaciousness. She is industrious and friendly toward all and is always ready to lend a helping hand. Dot is thinking seriously about the nursing profession after graduation.

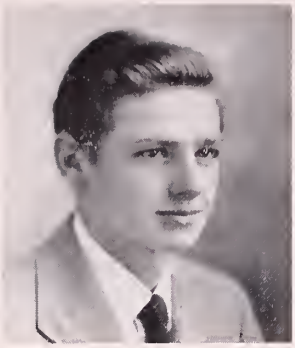
Basketball 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Volleyball 3, 4.

BARBARA ANN GOODRIDGE

Happy am I, from care I am free,
Why aren't they all contented like me?

Another of our part-timers, Barbara enjoys helping Miss Sherwin in the library. She always has a cheerful smile for all who enter. From what we have heard, she has read many of the books of which she takes such efficient care. Barbara plans to enter business school after graduation.

Basketball 2, 3; Junior Prom Committee 3.



JAMES LYNMORE GOODSPEED

Knowledge in youth is wisdom in age.

Jim is one of Miss Peabody's most efficient stage hands. Because of his modesty, he believes he is of more value "backstage" than "on stage". His natural ability in his studies make him the envy of most of his classmates. He is one of the active members of the Civil Air Patrol.

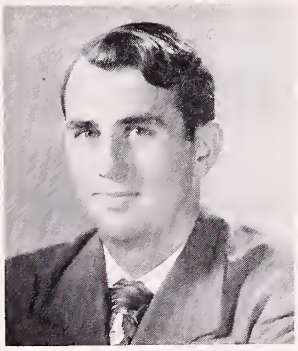
Band 2, 3, 4; Class Book 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Junior Assembly 3; Orchestra 3, 4; *Red & Gray* Board 3, 4.

CAROLYN ETHEL GORDON

The most manifest sign of wisdom is continued cheerfulness.

Always bubbling over with fun and enthusiasm. Carol is fond of all active sports and, although she is small, she makes herself known on a basketball team. Carol has deep blue eyes and natural curly hair, which are the envy of all who have ever seen her. We know she will be a success in her chosen field because of her boundless energy.

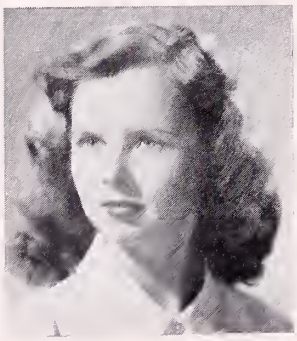
Basketball 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 4; Volleyball 3, 4.



FRANCIS GOUDREAU

Let each man pass his days in that wherein his skill is greatest.

Francis, a hard working lad with the will to succeed, can be found almost every afternoon working at his part-time job at Margolins. He is a very good artist and specializes in still life. His marvelous drawings of the scenery around Fitchburg have drawn many words from his friends. Francis spends many of his free evenings attending one of the local movies.



ELEANOR VIRGINIA GRANT

Chatter helps the day race by.

No matter when you meet her Eleanor has a cheery hello. She is very tiny, and always seems to be in a hurry. In her spare time Eleanor works at Mansur's in Westminster. She likes to play basketball, and is quite good at it. In fact, she likes to watch basketball as well, and can often be seen at the games in Westminster.

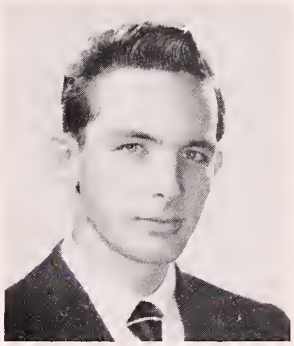
Basketball 2, 3, 4; Volleyball 4.

JANET MARY GRAVES

'Tis better to be good than great.

Janet is one of our industrious part-timers who works for Mr. Dufour and Mr. Butler. Janet is a dreamy sort of person who keeps her thoughts and opinions to herself. She puts her heart and soul into playing the piano and the results achieved are indeed wonderful. Roller-skating is slowly and painfully becoming her favorite pastime.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3.

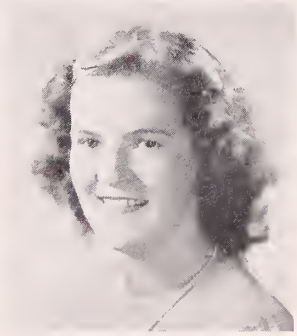


DONALD MALCOLM GREEN

Bashfulness is an ornament to youth.

Don, one of our sports enthusiasts, may be seen at all the games. He will try anything once and would much rather go hunting than study. Don is of a quiet nature, but we notice that he has many friends. His plans after graduation are as yet indefinite.

Football 2; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.



MILDRED LOUISE GREENLAW

There is safety in silence.

Mildred is so quiet that you have to look twice to see her. She can be seen at all school functions, especially at the sports events. She frequently goes roller-skating and is almost an expert at this. Mildred has not made up her mind about what she wants to do, but what ever she chooses we know she will do well.

FLORENCE ELLEN GULLIVER

What sweet delight a happy live affords.

Being one of our perpetually happy girls, Florence always appears carefree and joyous, characteristics which may be justly envied. She is an extremely good pianist and also an avid flying enthusiast. Florence hasn't divulged her future plans yet, but whatever they may be we wish her unbounded success.

RICHARD ALAN HAAPANEN

There is mischief in this man.

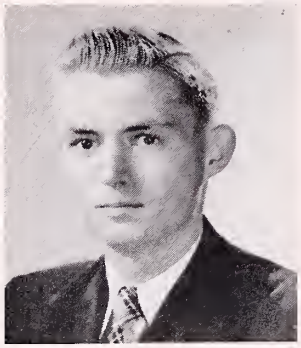
Dick is a tall, bright eyed fellow with blond hair. He always seems carefree and happy. Nothing in the world could bother Dick; his jovial manner and pleasing personality have made many friends for him. Dick's interests lie along scientific lines, so he plans to enter some field of engineering after graduation.

MURIEL MARGARET HAASE

She studies too, and dances some,
But not withstanding has much fun.

During her school years, Muriel has made many friends, but only her very closest friends have realized the many fine qualities that are concealed in her modest personality. Her name ranks among the Gold F Students. She is always ready for fun and enjoys sports and dancing. She plans to enter college, and would like to became a teacher of German, a language which she speaks fluently.

Basketball 2, 3; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Glee Club 3; Volleyball 2, 3; Write-up Committee 4.



ROBERT NORMAN HAGSTROM

Work is a means of living, but it is not living.

Bob is a rather husky fair-haired lad from "up-around" Hospital Hill. Most of his time is spent working at Pollock's Market, where he has learned all the angles of a good business man. It has been learned that he's quite an outdoor man as he and his father are ace hunters. Bob's interest in skiing is not surprising due to the fact he lives "next door" to Hospital Hill.

VIRGINIA MARIE HANCOCK

If my heart were not light I would die.

Ginny's a pert and "peppy" miss who commutes via the school bus from Westminster. She is an enthusiastic sports fan and participant. Her speed and vitality make her a valuable member of a volleyball or basketball team. On the home front, one of Ginny's pet likes is cooking. We've heard she's fond of tobogganing.

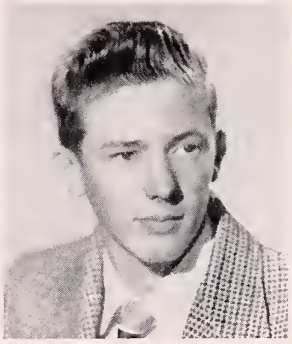
Basketball 2, 3, 4; Volleyball 4; Write-up Committee 4.

MARILYN MARIE HANKS

The highest degree of happiness is quiet.

Marilyn can be easily recognized by her beautiful long brown hair. She has a special way of winning friends. We hear that Marilyn is an exceptionally good cook, which might hold a clue to her future. After graduation Marilyn would like to work for a while as a private secretary. We wish her the best of luck in the future.

Junior-Senior Reception 3; Volleyball 3, 4.

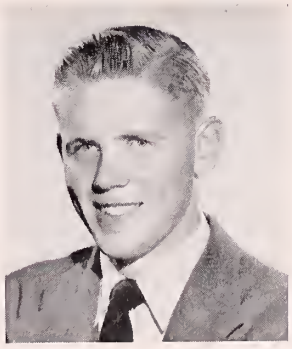


CHRISTIAN HANSEN, JR.

Little is this fellow, big is his smile.

Together with being the hard-working manager of the basketball team and being an active participant in school activities, Chris is kept very busy. His great number of friends proves that Chris has a genial personality. Although it is a rare occasion to see him conversing with a young lady, he occasionally surprises us.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Ski Club 4; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.



NEILS BERNARD HANSEN

Every man has his faults, modesty is mine.

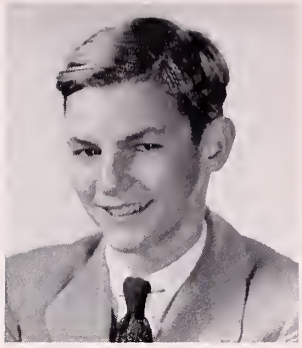
Neils is one of the quiet members of our class. He is taking the machinists course and hopes to continue in this trade after school. Neils enjoys the outdoor life immensely and spends all his spare time at hunting, fishing, swimming, and skiing. Neils gives the impression that he is a woman-hater, but we know differently.

Basketball 2, 3; Home Room Representative 4; Alternate Representative 2; Junior-Senior Reception 3.

CARL GEORGE HAUEISEN

Quiet, strong, and resourceful.

We never hear much about Carl because he is the strong silent type. He is content to do his work in his own way and let others worry unnecessarily about life. His close friends know, however, of his friendly courteous nature and sincerity. Surely such a fine person will be successful after graduation.

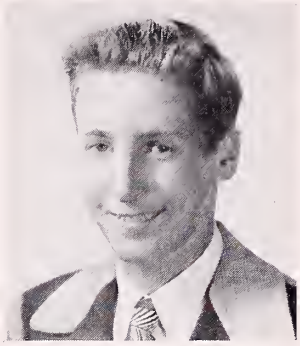


ALBAN MARIUS HEBERT

The little succeed where the mighty fall.

Best known as just plain "Al", Alban is probably the smallest boy in the senior class. He has many big ideas that will surely be a help to him in future years. "Al" likes swimming, and is a booster in all other sports. He attends and supports all school functions.

Ski Club 4.

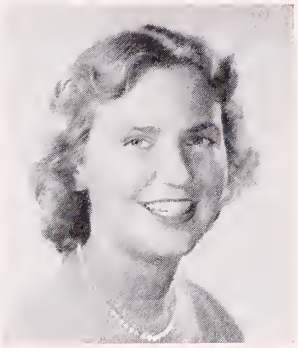


IRVING PAUL HECKER

None but himself can be his parallel.

"Irv" is the tennis champion of our class and of our school. He has been captain of the tennis squad and has won many trophies for his fine playing. Although a tennis player at heart, he is also a marksman in basketball. As far as we know, there is no particular girl in his case, but Irving likes them all.

Class Ring Committee 3, 4; Tennis 2, 3, 4.

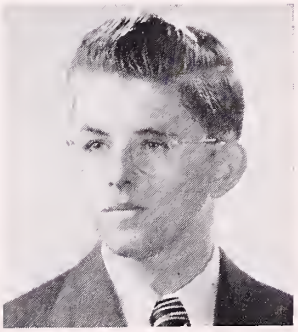


BARBARA ANNE HENDERSON

She's a regular girl in every way.

Known as "Barb" to all, this part-time student has a most sparkling personality, a ready smile, and a good word for all. During the summer months she may be found at Hampton Beach acquiring her envious tan. Barb would like to join the Waves after graduation.

Basketball 2; Glee Club 2; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4; Volleyball 2.

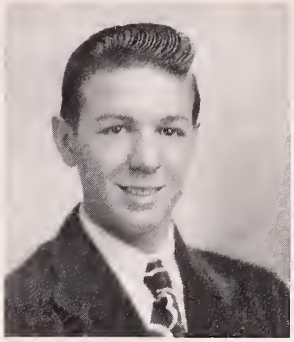


DAVID JAMIESON HENDERSON

Mischief is thy middle name.

Full of fun, Dave makes pleasant company for his many acquaintances. He is enthusiastic and is always ready to offer his assistance. His principal interests lie in the sports, field hockey and baseball being special favorites. His "after-school job" has prevented him from participating in many school sports; this has been a loss to the school.

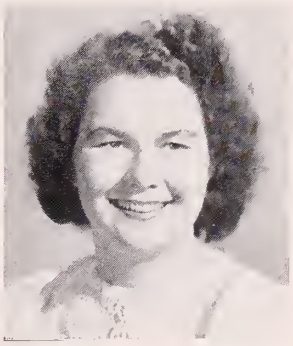
Class Color Committee 3; Glee Club 2; Home Room Representative 4; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4.



CHARLES FREDERICK HERTACH

Tall of stature; wide of grin.

Charlie stands well over six feet and is known in the popular circles as a "just plain good Joe." He can be depended on to do his best in anything that he starts. Charley was a member of the senior basketball team which defeated the faculty. Along with his other qualities, Charley has a fine competitive spirit. This and his other virtues add up to a person well worth knowing.

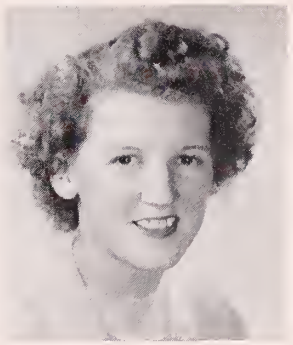


RUTH RACHEL HESSION

Good Humor teaches charm to last.

Ruth is a constant and trustworthy friend, to many members of our class. She has an abundance of good will and an accommodating disposition. She has small twinkling eyes which seem to bubble over with mirth. Traveling and knitting claim all her spare time.

Junior-Senior Reception 3.



KATHERINE ANNE HEUGHINS

A cheerful look makes a dish a feast.

Kathy lives far out of town but has made a not-so-little place for herself at Fitchburg High, partly because she is a person who makes friends easily. As a part-timer she has served *The Red & Gray* and *The Boulder* most satisfactorily. The thing to be noted about Kathy is the fact that she never forgets an old friend or acquaintance.

Basketball 2, 3; Glee Club 2; Volleyball 2.

PATRICIA ANNE HIBBARD

Cleverness is serviceable for everything.

Pat has done much work for most of the school publications since she is quite talented in the art department. All of her sketches cause exclamations of surprise and admiration. Pat is well-known in the senior class for her hearty, infectious laugh which indicates a real sense of humor.

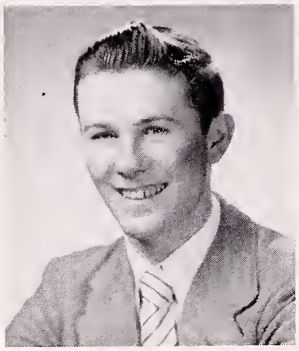
Boulder 4; Class Color Committee 3; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; *Red & Gray* Board 2, 3, 4; Round Table 4.

DOROTHY RUTH HILL

She is little, she is wise;
She's a marvel for her size.

Being small and petite, Dot is a living example of "nice things in small packages." She has many friends but a certain group has become her closest friends. She is sure to be at every dance and take an active part. Never without a partner, Dot is no wall flower. After she graduates she would like to become a secretary for a while and then to homemaking.

Alternate Representative 4.

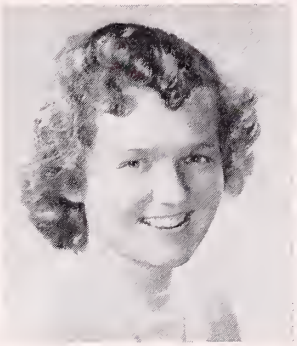


FRANKLYN JOHN HOLROYD

Small but powerful.

"Bud" as he is commonly called, is deceptively quiet. His many friends can tell you that he is full of mischief and is a never-ending source of good humor. His great interests do not lie in girls, but in sports. He is especially enthusiastic about baseball and hockey and is an active participant in both. "Bud" plans to enter the Air Corps upon graduation.

Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Track 4.

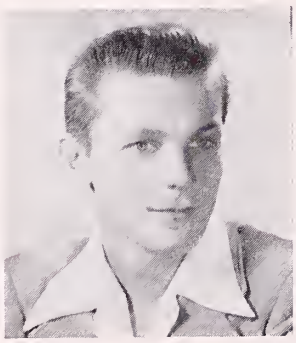


ELIZABETH VIRGINIA HOWARD

The only way to have a friend is to be one; she has many.

Betty is a tall friendly girl who comes from Westminster. She is blessed with natural brown wavy hair and large blue eyes. Latin is her favorite subject; basketball, her favorite sport. In her spare time she can usually be found walking with her baby brother. Her vivacious personality makes and keeps her many friends.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Volleyball 3, 4.



RICHARD ARNOLD HURME

When fun and duty clash
Let duty go to smash.

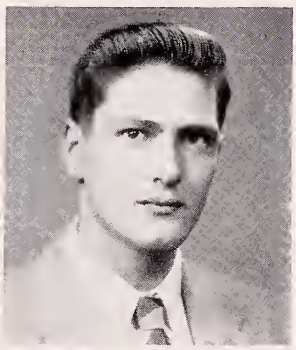
Good looking and well dressed are Dicky's trademarks. His main interest is in cars. During the past two years he has been constantly swapping cars to find the right car for him. For a pastime he likes to play basketball or to go hunting or fishing. His pleasing personality and neat manner of dressing make him stand out among his friends.

BETTY-ANN JOHNSON

Her hair is her glory.

Betty-Ann's red hair, plus her striking smile make her appear perpetually happy. She wields a "mean" knitting needle; her lovely hand-knit sweaters are proof of that. Betty-Ann had a difficult time trying to convince her friends that she has a license to drive a car. Her Motto—keep smiling!

Band 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Round Table 4.

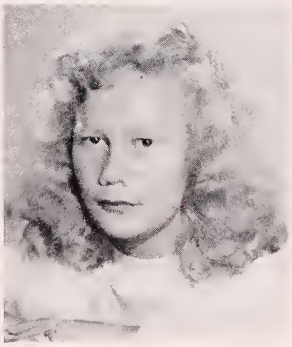


WILLIAM FRANCIS JOHNSON, JR.

I am not happy unless I am happier than I know.

Of the shy and quiet type, Bill is very much admired, especially by the fairer sex. He is a lad who never fails to give a cheery greeting or a hearty smile on meeting one of his many friends. Bill is a member of our high school band. He intends to become another Harry James and by the way he plays, is well on the way to it. After graduation he plans to have his own band.

Band 3, 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 4; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Orchestra 4.



AILA ELLI JOKINEN

Quiet persons are welcome everywhere.

Aila is the envy of her classmates because of her beautiful blonde hair. Her hobby is collecting all the latest Bing Crosby recordings. She is an ardent ice-skating enthusiast and during the winter months she can be found cutting figure eights on the nearest pond. Her one ambition is to become a secretary.

ELEANOR FAY JOKINEN

Corridors were made to walk in,
Not for girls to talk in.

Known to all as "Ellie", this petite miss can be easily recognized by her large brown eyes and shy smile. Very interested in social life, Ellie can be found enjoying herself on any dance floor, or in any pool of water big enough to swim in. She plans to be a stenographer and we know that for such a sweet person there will always be success.

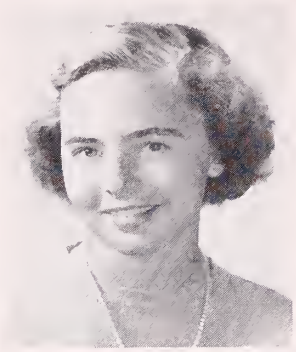
Dramatic Club 2; Glee Club 2; Junior Prom Committee 3.

LAURENCE JOEL KABATCHNICK

So much can one do who acts and knows.

"Maharajah Larry", thespian of our class, can always be relied upon to give an excellent performance. A promoter of the arts in general, Larry's also a fine pianist. He is an excellent student and a real math "wizard". His startling horn-rimmed glasses are in his opinion, "trés chic". He has hopes of entering Harvard in the fall.

Classbook 4; Class Motto Committee 3; Debating Club 3, 4; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Alternate Representative 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; *Red & Gray* Board 3, 4; Round Table 4; Competitive play 2, 3, 4; Wachusett High School Quiz 2; Radio Club 3.



NANCY ALICE KANE

She may be small but her personality—oh man!

"Nan" is one of the diminutive members of our class and is also one of the most energetic. She keeps her friends and classmates in good spirits at all times. Keeping track of her friends from both local high schools keeps Nan busy. Upon graduation she plans to enter Sargent College or join the Waves.

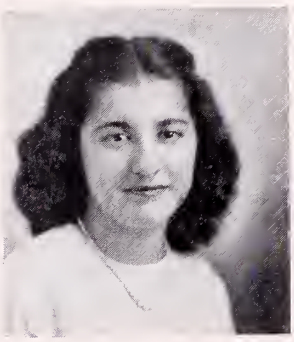
Basketball 2, 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Tennis 2, 3; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4; Volleyball 2, 3.

GERALDINE MARIE KELLEHER

She has wit and fun and fire.

Gerry may be seen in the school office where she works busily and efficiently as one of our well trained part-timers. Besides her flaming red hair and sparkling blue eyes, she is well-known for her friendly disposition. Her plans for the future include some type of office work.

Junior-Senior Reception 3.

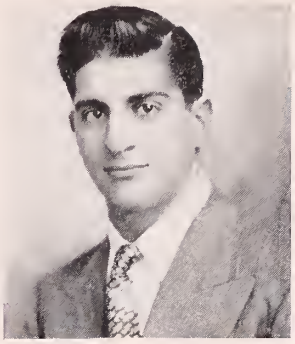


ELIZABETH JOHN KEOSEIAN

The secret of success is constancy of purpose.

Betty's a very demure young lady whom neither report cards nor bad weather can make sorrowful. Betty loves to sing and has sung on the stage for us at many of out senior assemblies and other meetings. Dancing is another of her favorite pastimes. Betty would like to make a career of singing.

Glee Club 2, 3; Junior Assembly 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Assembly 4; Tennis 2; Majorette 3; Variety Review 3, 4.



STEPHEN JOHN KEOSEIAN

He that is of a merry heart hath a continual feast.

Steve just seems to be in a happy mood all the time. When he flashes that brilliant smile it makes you feel like smiling too. It especially affects the girls. Steve is a big help to his father since he works for him in his store. He likes to play football but doesn't find too much time to do so.

Debating Club 4; Dramatic Club 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Home Room Representative 2; Alternate Representative 4; Junior Assembly 3; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Tennis 3, 4; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.

PRISCILLA NANCY KIDDER

Never short for words.

Nancy has gathered around her a group of eager listeners through her ability to make a conversation interesting. This is due to her wide knowledge of books, especially historical novels. Her experience at the Art Photo Service has furthered her interest in the field of photography. Nevertheless, she plans to enter Henry Heywood Memorial Hospital for her nursing training.

JOHN LINCOLN KIELTY

A willing heart makes a willing hand.

John, one of our ex-G. I. students, is very zealous about his school work and is always working at some form of it during every minute of his spare time. He adds his brilliant and witty comments in every class, much to the delight of the other students. John would like to continue his education with an accent on math and science.

Debating Club 4; Junior-Senior Relay 4; Ski Club 4.

ALVAR KONRAD LAIHO

Shy and retiring, neat and aspiring.

Al is a country boy with a passion for bright-colored sport shirts. He is a speedster in mechanical drawing, and is also very efficient. He tries to make us believe he does not take an interest in the opposite sex, but we know differently. His record collection contains all the latest releases. We believe Alvar's plans include college.

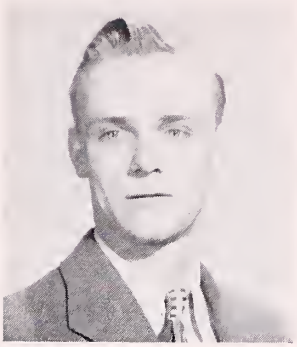
Dramatic Club 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Ski Club 4.

BLANCHE LANDRY

Quietness has its own charm.

This member of our senior class is admired for her pleasant disposition. Her mild and cheerful manner is known and liked by everyone. She is interested in sports, particularly basketball, volleyball, and bowling. Blanche is still undecided as to what her goal in life will be.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Volleyball 2, 3, 4.



RAYMOND JOSEPH LANDRY

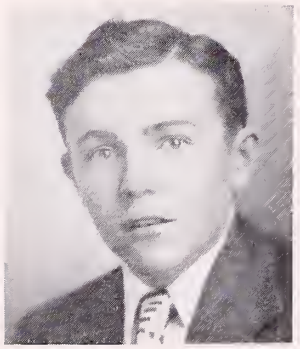
Honest work deserves honest praise.

One of several of our ex-G. I.'s Ray served as a mechanic in the air force. He was discharged in 1948 and this year he has enrolled as a senior and has been a welcome addition to our class. Ray may be seen working afternoons at Brockelman's.

ANNE MARGARET LAVOIE

A soul of sweet delight can never be defiled.

"Mal" is that friendly girl who is always rushing around but never seems to get anywhere. She's popular with boys and girls alike so that she and the people she is with never experience a dull moment. She has an interesting and quite fascinating hobby —collecting all kinds of stuffed animals.



JOHN ELDER LEAMY

Shall I go on or have I said enough?

Jack comes from West Fitchburg. He is an ardent baseball fan and has played third base for the *Red & Gray* team and also for a team from West Fitchburg. He possesses a keen sense of humor and has a friendly, pleasing personality. Jack plans to attend a forestry school.

Baseball 2.

LENA LOUISE L'ECUYER

Her business is making people happy.

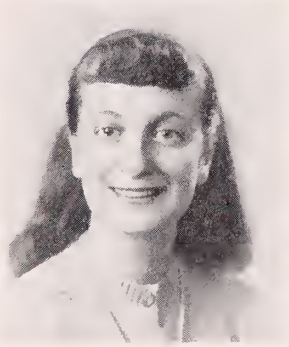
Sense of humor? Good natured? That's Lena! These attributes have won her many friends. In her spare time she enjoys playing tennis with the nurses at the hospital. Lena plans to pursue the worthy footsteps of Florence Nightingale and study this worthy profession at the Burbank Hospital.

Baseball 2; Basketball 2; Dramatic Club 4; Junior Prom Committee 4; Tennis 4.

HELEN LEEDS

The smile that won't come off.

Helen is a pretty, dark-haired lass with big blue eyes. Although she is a rather quiet girl, she also has a witty and sometimes mischievous side. After school she has a part-time job at Brockelman's. Even while at work she always has a happy smile, a cheerful attitude, and a neat and attractive appearance.



ANNETTE LOUISE LEGER

A classmate sincere and true.

Annette is one of the easiest girls in the class to get along with. She goes about her business with a quiet and unassuming air. Annette has many hobbies which include dancing, swimming, and knitting. She certainly seems to enjoy all three. She plans to go into secretarial work after graduation. We're sure she'll do well.

Basketball 2, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Volleyball 4.

EDWARD FRANCAIS LEGER

If there is anything you wish to know, ask me.

Wherever there are girls, one is sure to find Eddie. In the fall Eddie has spent many hectic X-periods in the gym keeping the band "in step". He thinks all musicians have two left feet. He is very interested in flying and will in all probability join the Air Force after graduation.

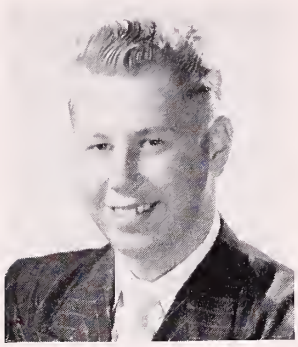
Band 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Alternate Representative 2; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Orchestra 4; Senior Assembly 4.

JUNE ARLENE LEHTINEN

Her sunny locks encircle her head like a golden fleece.

What other senior girl can say she doesn't wear make-up and still draws compliments? June is one girl who realizes that Mother Nature did a good job. Her trusty Singer sewing machine plus a pair of knitting needles have helped June be the new look advocate she is. A true skier and a fine basketball player—these account for her slim figure. June plans to become a housewife after graduation.

Basketball 2, 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Volleyball 2, 3, 4.

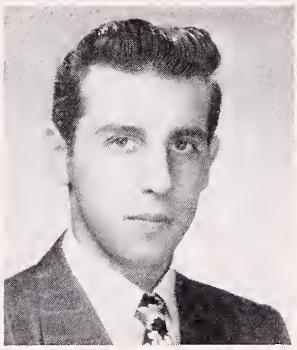


RICHARD FELIX LEHTINEN

Calmness is a great virtue.

Dick is an easy-going, good natured fellow whom everyone likes. His main interest lies in sports. He has very capably served as an usher in the Fitchburg Theater in his free time. Dick was a member of the football team until he suffered a serious shoulder injury during the season. After graduation Dick plans to go into some branch of mechanics.

Class Ring Committee 3, 4; Football 2, 4; Home Room Representative 3.



CHRISTO PETER LEKAS

Heart and mind as clear as crystal.

Honesty, straightforwardness, courage, these qualities make us think immediately of Christo. He has an eager enthusiasm that seems to envelop all about him, and his sportsmanship is almost unequaled. Chris was a brilliant halfback on the football team during our junior year but suffered a serious injury which now prevents him from participating in that sport. We feel sure that Chris will make his mark in the world.

Football 2, 3; Junior Assembly 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3.

ANNA CARMELA LEMMO

Dance I must, and dance I will.

Anna, a girl with a great sense of humor, can always be seen talking to a crowd of girls. She loves dancing, and can always be seen at Whalom Park Ballroom during the summer. She is one of the first ones there when the doors open, and one of the last to leave. Anna never seems to tire of dancing.

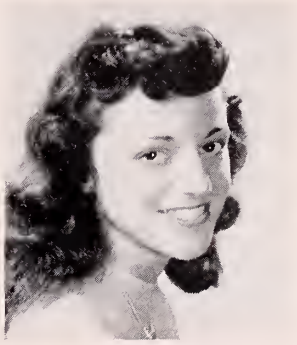
Band 2.

MARILYN LEUCHT

Her smile brings out the blossoms in December.

Marilyn is a very talented member of the class. Although she is very modest about it, we all know she has exceptional ability in art and creative drawing. She enjoys roller-skating and we hear she has become quite an accomplished skater. Marilyn plans to enter the New England School of Art in the fall.

Dramatic Club 3, 4; Glee Club 3.



ROSE PHYLLIS LOMAGLIO

Everyone speaks of happiness; few know it.

A good way to describe Rose would be to say that she is "short and sweet". She has many interests both in school and out. Rose likes to go to the football games and to attend dances; these are her favorite pastimes. She hopes to take up hairdressing when she graduates from high school.

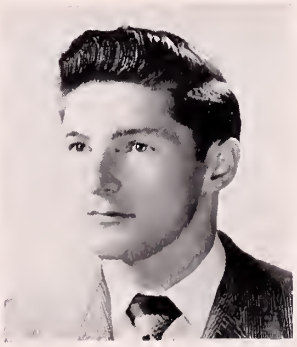
Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.

REGINA JEAN LOMME

In thy heart, the dew of youth,
on thy lips, the smile of truth.

Reggie, a girl with dark brown hair and dark flashing eyes, never fails to make a new friend in everyone she meets. She reads a great deal and likes to take long walks. In addition to being a member of the dramatic club for three years, she also played intermural basketball. When Reggie completes her high school education she would like to attend Amherst College.

Basketball 3; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.



DONALD EARLE LORION

Handsome is that handsome does!

Don loves to play every sport, especially basketball and baseball. He has only one ambition when he graduates and that is to serve his country as a sailor. We think Don has wonderful possibilities to play basketball after he gets out of the Navy. Good luck to you in the future, Admiral.

BETTY LILLIAN LUOMA

Here's a maiden without pretense
Blessed with reason and common sense.

Betty's been good-natured since the first grade, and like "Topsy" "it's just growed with her". One of our part-timers; Betty has rendered valuable service to the *Red & Gray* and to *The Boulder*. Betty visited Tennessee last summer—likes the North better though. A loyal rooter at F.H.S. basketball games, she is an accomplished player herself. Dancing tops her list of things she likes to do. Betty has a job in Dr. Golden's office and is assured a full time occupation after graduation.

Basketball 2, 3; Glee Club 2, 3; Volleyball 2, 3.

JACQUELINE MacARTHUR

Say it with a smile.

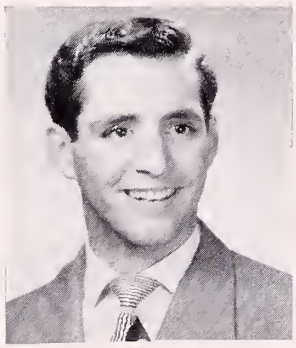
Jackie, as she is called by her friends, is gifted with a friendly smile which brings out her peppy personality. Her hobby is sports, especially baseball and football. She would rather participate though, than be merely a spectator. Jackie hasn't quite made up her mind as to her future but her plans will probably include office work.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 2; Volleyball 2; Junior Member of Women's Club 4.

MARJORIE ALICE MacRAE

Life is too short to be dull.

Although Marjorie appears quiet and reserved, she has a very keen sense of humor. She is full of ideas and jokes that are entertaining to her friends. She loves to read and finds pleasure in almost every type of book. When she is not reading, she spends her time watching prize fighting and taking long walks. Our crystal ball says she plans to join the Waves.

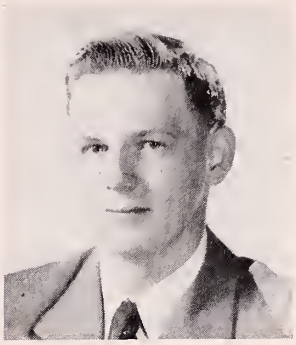


PHILIP ANTHONY MADONIA

Laughter and I are pals.

Phil, or Pheex as he is known by his friends, is one who is always coming in after the last bell rings in the morning. He is far from being studious but manages to get by. He likes football and basketball and showed us what he could do in varsity football his senior year. He likes dancing and can be seen at "Teen Town" every Saturday night. Phil has not completed his plans for the future.

Dramatic Club 3; Football 4; Home Room Representative 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Prom Committee 4; Ski Club 4.

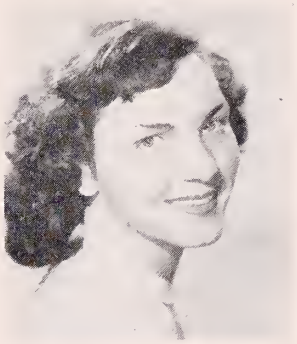


CARROLL MELVIN MAGNUSON

His pencil draws what e'er his heart designed.

Carroll is very accomplished along artistic lines. Many decorations at school dances were drawn by him. He astounds his biology class with his silent recitations. He plans to attend Art School after graduation, and with Carroll's initiative and warm, cordial personality, he can do nothing but succeed.

Class Color Committee 3; Dramatic Club 2; Junior Prom Committee 3.



EDITH MAY MALDARELLA

She is a maid of modest grace,
gentle both in form and face.

Edith is one of our energetic girls. She is rather quiet but has a pleasant smile for all. The activities that occupy her spare time are dancing, roller-skating, and sewing. She also belongs to the Turner's Gym Club. After graduation, Edith would like to be a model or an airline hostess.

ELLEN SYLVIA MANNINEN

I drink the pleasures of rural life.

Perhaps the fact that Ellen works in the Fitchburg Public Library explains her amazing knowledge of books. Sincerity, loyalty, and occasional moments of nonsense are what her friends value most in her. Ellen is proud that she lives in the country and doesn't mind being called a farmer. Her secret desire is to become an authoress and she has a very good background for her career since she has been editor-in-chief of the *Red & Gray*.

Basketball 2, 3; Class Motto Committee 3; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Home Room Representative 4; Alternate Representative 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; *Red & Gray* Board 3, 4; Round Table 4; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Wachusett High School Quiz 2.

FLORENCE ODELIE MANSEAU

A girl light-hearted and content.

Florence is a girl with charm, a friendly attitude, and much enthusiasm. She has many friends in all classes, and is very fond of dancing, volleyball, and basketball. Although Florence is taking the commercial course, her plans for the future are as yet undecided.

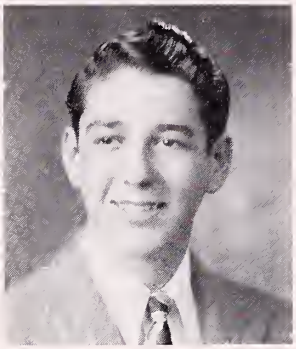
Basketball 2, 3; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Volleyball 2, 3, 4.

CHESTER RAYMOND MARTIN

Stately and tall he moves in the halls.

Chet is a tall fellow with dark wavy hair. His cheerful manner makes it a pleasure to be acquainted with him. Chet left school to go to Ohio and upon completion of his visit, he returned to take up his school work again. He will probably go into some phase of mechanics after graduation.

Football 2, 4; Home Room Representative 2.

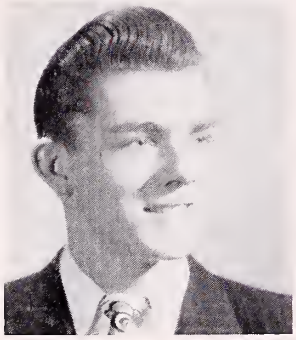


RAYMOND JOSEPH MASON

Care's his enemy in life.

Ray, a fellow with dark, wavy hair and a smile that is most pleasant, is a resident of Fitchburg's East Side. His interests are varied, but skiing and attending midget auto races are his favorites. Although his plans are not definite, Ray would like to become an electrician. We wish this fine fellow the best of luck.

Ski Club 4.

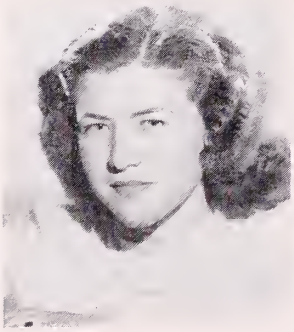


DONALD EDWARD MASTIN

A man with a mind of his own.

Don is one of the rare boys in the class who has little to say. He is an ardent sports enthusiast and a diligent worker who always does his job well. Don hopes to develop a business of his own after graduation and we wish him success in this venture.

Home Room Representative 2.



JANICE MAYNARD

A modest answer and a graceful air,
show her wise and good as she is fair.

Janice comes from South Ashburnham and, like the others from there, is proud of it. The sports in which she takes part are numerous. A cheerful smile, a fun loving nature, and a keen sense of humor are her chief characteristics. "Jan" is a popular girl and gets along well with everyone. She also has quite a way with the fellows. Her plans for the future are indefinite as yet.

Dramatic Club 2.

RUTH THERESE McBRIDE

A laugh and a smile for everyone.

Sally is a cheerful, happy go-lucky person. She always has a smile for everyone. She loves all sports and attends all of the school games. Among her many hobbies, the one that she likes the best is attending the movies. Sally plans to attend Elmira College after graduation. Because of her personality, our crystal ball says she will be a success.

Dramatic Club 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Radio Club 3.

BARBARA AGNES McGREGOR

Gentle, gay, happy and kind,
A better friend you'll never find.

"Mac" spends her school day working on the second floor for Miss Dunn. She is one of those lucky few who are F.H.S.'s part-timers. Outside of school she finds much enjoyment in bicycle riding, hiking, and reading good books. After graduation "Mac" plans to pursue secretarial work.

Basketball 2; Glee Club 2, 3; Junior Assembly 3.

SHEILA MARY McMAHON

The thing that goes the farthest toward making life worth while is just a pleasant smile.

Another of F.H.S.'s commuting students, Sheila enjoys the ride from Shirley every day. An attractive brunette, her quiet nature makes her seem almost shy. Skating is one of her favorite sports and she manages to stay rightside up most of the time. Sheila is an excellent student and her name is always among those on the honor roll. She also won her gold "F". The world should have more girls like her.

Basketball 2; Class Motto Committee 3; Home Room Representative 4; *Red & Gray* Board 3, 4; Round Table 4; Volleyball 2; Student Council Paper.

JOSEPH ANTHONY MEZESKI

Good nature is a special charm.

Joe is a very good-natured fellow with a friendly way with everybody. He is an active person who is very much interested in sports. Among his favorite sports are swimming and baseball. After graduation Joe would like to become an apprentice in some industrial plant.

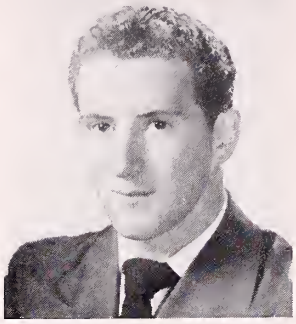
Alternate Representative 3; Junior Assembly 3.

RICHARD WARREN MINER

Tall of stature and fleet of foot.

Dick is probably one of the most popular students among his classmates. He is an all-round student both academically and athletically. As an outstanding track man, he has won many honors for himself and his school. Dick has also been a star center for the basketball team. He participates in most student activities. His general attitude accounts for his popularity. Dick's plans for the future will include a college education and perhaps the profession of law.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay (Captain) 3, 4; Senior Prom Committee (Chairman) 4; Student Council 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4.



RUDOLPH MINICHIELLO

Good humor makes all things tolerable.

If you go down to first lunch and see a large crowd gathered around the dance floor, you can be sure it is because Rudy is jitterbugging. Rudy, famous for his impersonations of many people, can also be seen leading the Tri-City Troubadors. He hopes to become a trumpeter or a drummer in a good band after graduation. We sincerely believe that Rudy will soon realize his ambition.

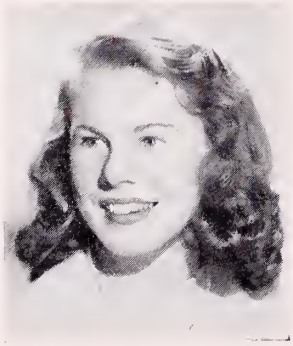
Band 2, 3, 4; Football 2; Junior Assembly 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3; Orchestra 2; Senior Assembly.

JANE RAYE MOECKEL

The better known, the greater is her worth appreciated.

Being tall is an advantage for Jane in her favorite sport which is basketball. She excels in this sport and plays as often as possible. However, she finds time to study, as a quick glimpse at the honor roll will prove. Jane is a quiet girl but her close friends know that she is a good sport who always enjoys a joke, either on someone else or on herself.

Glee Club 2.

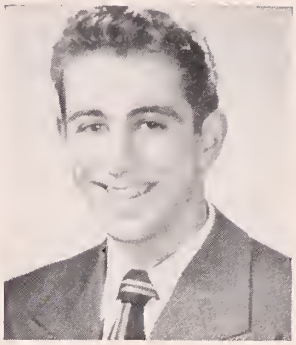


MARILYN ALICE MOLINE

Gaiety is health to the soul.

Marilyn's pretty blonde locks, her cheerful smile, and genial personality account for her host of friends both male and female. Her interests are wide and varied. She is particularly fond of skating and we hear she cuts a pretty nice figure on the ice. She also enjoys dancing and swimming. Her plans for the future will probably be along the line of office work, for she is now a competent part-timer for Miss Sawyer.

Basketball 2.

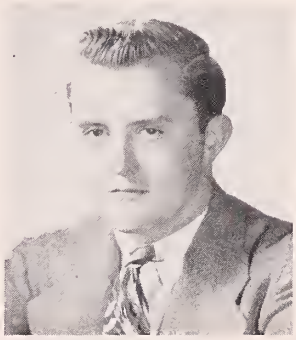


ANTHONY NICHOLAS MONTESION

The laughter of man is the contentment of the world.

"Monty" can be found almost every night playing his trumpet with a local band, and he soon will be some competition for Harry James. "Monty' seems to be undecided about his hair. He cannot decide whether to have it long or to wear it in a crew cut. "Monty" hopes to make music his profession.

Band 2, 3; Basketball 2, 3; Junior Assembly 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Assembly 4; Variety Review 3, 4.



FREDERICK WALTER MORSE

Why be sad when happiness is so easily found.

Fred's broad grin has made him many friends, both in and out of school. Although he is often heard talking about the unlimited amount of home work he has to do, he somehow finds time to play basketball, baseball, and other sports. Fred can be found around Room 304 at 8:15 every morning.

Band 2; Debating Club 4; Football 2; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.

PATRICIA MARY MORSE

Virtue is like a rich stone, best plain set.

You would never guess that Pat is the daughter of Shirley's Police Chief. She certainly is no demure young miss. Pat is vivacious and always ready for a good time. She has a total of five younger brothers and sisters. She could keep you amused for hours relating numerous incidents she has had with them. We wish you success in your career as a teacher.

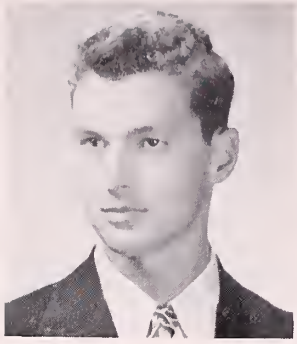
Glee Club 2; Round Table 4.

LILLIAN ESTHER MYLLYKANGAS

The price of wisdom is above rubies.

Lillian is one of our most promising students. She has always had the aspiration of being a school teacher. She is an active participant in sports and unlike many of us is not dejected if she loses. She never fails to see the humorous side of a story. With her perserverance and personality she will certainly succeed.

Basketball 2, 3; *Red & Gray* Board 3, 4; Round Table 4; Volleyball 2, 3.



ROBERT YOUNG NAYLOR

I have laid aside business, and gone a-fishing.

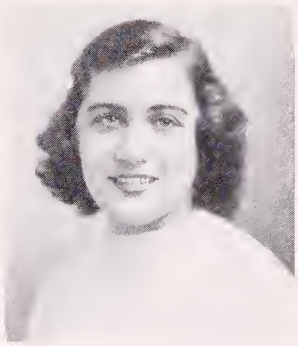
Bob's a tall, blushing, rather shy senior. His broad smile reveals the deep dimples in his cheeks. He is an outdoor man and would like to ski, swim, hunt, and fish the year round. Although Bob professes to scorn the fairer sex, we know this is not entirely true. He has not decided definitely about his future.

DORIS GILBERT NICHOLS

A sweeter rose never bloomed.

Doris is a tall, good-looking young lady from Westminster, who is everyone's friend. No matter who asks a favor of her, she is ready and willing to do it. Generosity, kindness, and honesty are her virtues. Her ambition is to become a nurse someday. She is sure to achieve her goal in life because wherever there is hard work to do, Dot never shirks her share.

Basketball 2, 3; Volleyball 4.

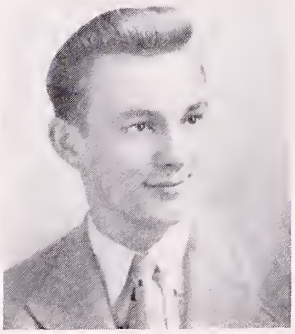


DIAMOND NIKITAS

Laugh and the world laughs with you.

Diamond, a girl who seems to bubble over with vitality, has a smile for everyone. She likes to play tennis when she gets a chance. She is a big help at home but spends most of her time working at F. H. Lane's. Her favorite pastimes are eating and talking.

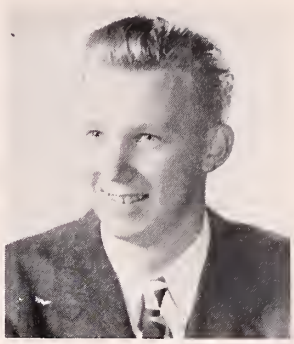
Basketball 2; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4; Volleyball 2.



ROBERT WILLIAM NORRIS

A hunting we will go.

Strictly an outdoor man, Bob loves hunting and fishing and, what is more, nothing that isn't out of doors interests him; basketball is the only exception. He is frequently seen riding around in his old jalopy. On a sunny day Bobbie's destination is usually Westminster, where he knows all the favorite game haunts.

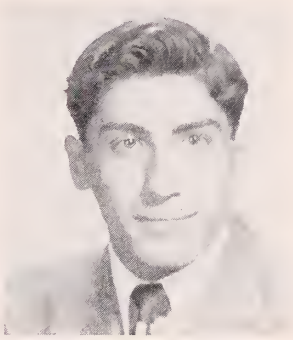


WAINO EDWIN OLLIKKALA

Rather quiet, rather shy but a twinkle in his eye.

Eddy, as he is known by his friends, is a ranging six-footer from Rindge Road. He is a fisherman in the true sense of the word. An expert at throwing a shot-put he will be an asset to the track in the spring. Eddy is an excellent student and is well-liked by all his classmates. Best of luck and may success always be yours, Ed!

Basketball 2; Football 2.



HERBERT FREDERICK PANDISCIO

The more a man the less he talks.

Herbie is one of the more quiet members of our class. He is tall, dark, and handsome and has a shy way about him, but don't let that mislead you for he has a friendly disposition. He was a member of our football team and the hero of the Thanksgiving Day game. Herb hopes to enter Northeastern where he will major in law.

Band 2; Class Ring Committee 3; Dramatic Club 3; Football 2, 4; Glee Club 2; Home Room Representative 2, 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Ski Club 4; Student Council 4; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4; Track 2, 3, 4.

HAZEL JEAN PARADISE

A pleasant maid of the quiet kind.

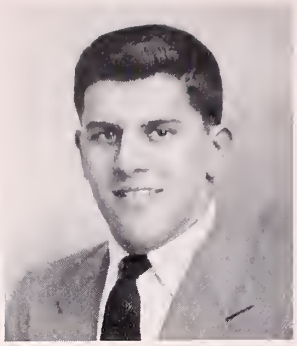
Although Hazel is quiet and reserved, she is a well-liked member of the senior class. She accepts all events as they come, without much ado. She is friendly and always has a cheery word for everyone. Her main hobby is stamp collecting, which she enjoys very much. After graduation she plans to attend a nursing school for children.

FAITH PEABODY

Her air, her manner, all who saw admired.

Studious and thoughtful is Faith, and well-received by all who know her. She has a large group of devoted friends. If you ask her, Faith will tell you that her favorite pastime is driving the Wilson buses. She plans to enter Forsythe School of Dental Hygiene next fall.

Dramatic Club 2; Senior Prom Committee 4.

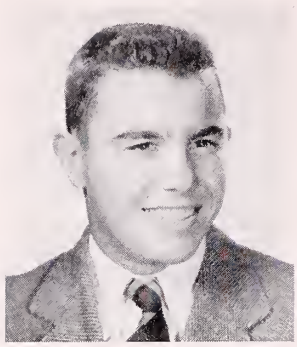


ANTHONY FERDINAND PETRIDES

The fewer our wants, the greater our happiness.

Tony is truly a shy guy. Most of his friends are among the boys, much to the disappointment of the "fairer sex". Nevertheless, he is very friendly in his quiet way. Tony is always very sharply dressed. We also note that the football team couldn't get along without him. His future plans include a lot of boxing. Best of luck, CHAMP!

Class Color Committee 3; Debating Club 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Relay 4; Track 3, 4.

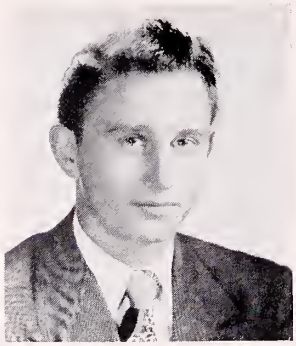


CHARLES RENE PHANEUF

Anything for a quiet life.

Charles is a fun-loving member of the senior class. When he is not in school he can be found enjoying himself either fishing or boxing. Charley knows all the haunts of fish in Worcester County. As a scholar, Charley is very good in French and enjoys it so much he is reviewing another year just for pleasure. He goes all out for sporty clothes, but is rather shy with the opposite sex.

Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Bowling 2.

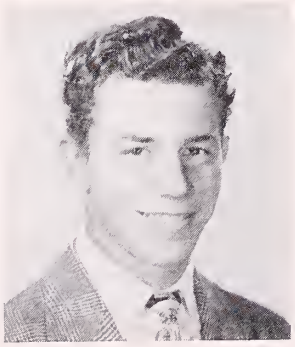


CLARENCE LEO PHANEUF

True to his word, his work, his friends.

Clarence is a happy-go-lucky fellow and a prominent member of the West Fitchburg "Rovers". He is a very enthusiastic bowler, and all-round good athlete, and a man of great ability. Also, we understand he is quite a favorite with the ladies. Clarence does not have any plans for the immediate future.

Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Track 3.



JOSEPH SAM PIO

The boy with the dancing heart.

Joe, or Form as he is more widely known for his curly black hair and flashing smile, is a lot of fun and certainly knows how to enjoy himself. Joe enjoys dancing and can be found almost every Saturday night at Teen Town. Sports rank high on Joe's list of favorites. Joe hasn't decided what he wants to do after graduation.

Band 2, 3, 4; Alternate Representative 3; Junior Assembly 3; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3; Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Senior Assembly 4.

THERESA RITA PIO

Some like work, some like play, I'm for both.

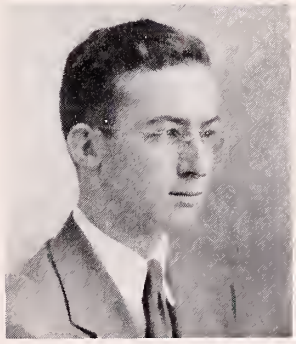
Terry is a vivacious brunette with enough vitality for two. She enjoys all sports, but her favorite is playing basketball. Among her favorite hobbies are reading and dancing. Terry's plans for the future are not quite definite, but she may enter nursing.

Basketball 2, 3.

JOAN PISOWOCKI

Nice things come in small packages.

Joan is a cute little senior who is full of fun. There is never a dull moment in her life. A very tiny girl, her size in no way detracts from her attractiveness. Joan loves bike riding and manages to go whenever she has time. Other interests include roller-skating, tennis, and dancing. Joan would like to go into hairdressing for her life's work.



NEIL BURTON RAFUSE

The greatest gatherer of wisdom the world has ever known.

A scholar and a genuinely good fellow, Neil has become very popular with his classmates. He enjoys a good joke and having a few himself he keeps his friends constantly laughing. He likes to attend all school functions. Neil can be seen heading toward the library almost any time for he is a lover of good books.

Red & Gray Board 2, 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4.

HELEN SYLVIA RAHNASTO

All that she does is always done well.

Helen is one of the friendliest members of the senior class, as well as one of our Special Honor students. It is a pleasure to talk to her, as she is a very good conversationalist. She plays the piano and is very fond of music, classical in particular. She enjoys all types of sports, particularly volleyball and basketball. Her favorite way to spend an afternoon is at a baseball game. After graduation, Helen plans to attend the University of Massachusetts.

Basketball 2, 3; Dramatic Club 2; Glee Club 2; Junior-Senior Reception 3; *Red & Gray* Board 3, 4; Round Table 4; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4.

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NANCY ANN RAYMOND

An all-round girl with an all-round smile.

Better known as Nan, Nancy is, as the quotation says, an all-round girl. Having a great deal of interest in sports, she can be seen at all F.H.S. sports events. Popular and known by almost everyone, Nan has a pleasant smile and a sense of humor to go with it. Long walks and a lot of reading take up her spare time. Nancy also enjoys dancing at which she is very good.

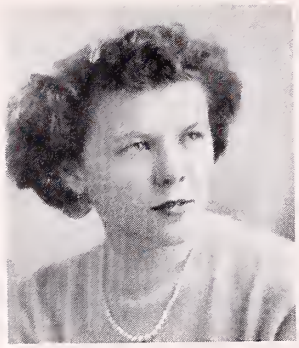
Basketball 2; Dramatic Club 2; Volleyball 2.

RITA MARY RICCIUTI

I am small I know, wherever I go.

Although Rita is one of the smallest members of the class, she still gets around. She has a quick, bright smile for all. Rita has a pleasant voice and likes to sing. She hopes to work in an office after graduation.

Junior-Senior Reception 3; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.



NANCY LOUISE RINTALA

A maiden fair with brown hair.

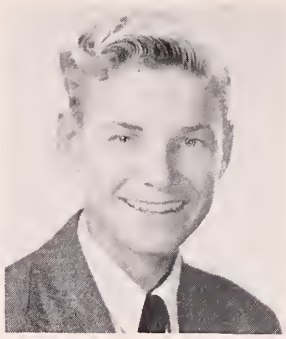
Happy-go-lucky Nancy has a smile which is full of mischief. She is an excellent roller-skater and is also very interested in swimming. Nancy is fond of dancing and rarely misses a dance. Her future plans are incomplete.

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Volleyball 2, 3.

IRENE LUCILLE ROBERT

In quietness and confidence shall be your strength.

Irene is the girl who never gets to school before 8:14. She loves to dance and to play basketball. Irene plays basketball for the St. Joseph girls team. She spends as much of her time as possible working at the Gruener Hardware office; maybe that's why she is always happy. Irene has a wonderful sense of humor and is always fun to be with.

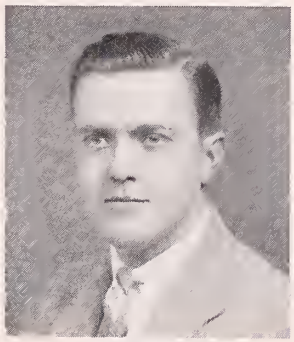


DONALD ARTHUR ROBERTS

That oh-so-fair-boy with that oh-so-dreamy look.

Don, that good-looking boy with a crop of light blond hair, can always be seen before school on the third floor corridor. He is fond of all sports—especially basketball and baseball. He has an excellent voice, although he hasn't favored us with as many songs as we'd like to hear. Don's plans after graduation are undecided.

Junior-Senior Reception 3.



NORMAND JOSEPH ROBERTS

Believe one who has done it.

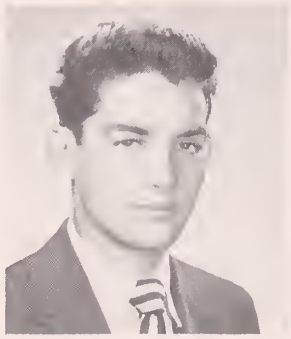
Norm is a sharp red-head, who owns his own 1949 Ford. He spends his after school hours working in an electrical shop in Leominster. Norm claims to be a woman hater but those who know him do not believe it. He is a prominent member of the vocational course. After graduation Norm would like to become an electrician.

LOUIS RICHARD ROSSNER

My will, sir, is to serve.

Louie is a boy who never fails to see the bright side of things. He is always smiling and cheerful. He is Miss Peabody's right-hand man and indispensable in school plays because of his knowledge of backstage work. We do not know Louie's plans for the future but they will undoubtedly pertain to some form of aeronatics.

Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2; Round Table 4; Exhibit Committee 4.



DANIEL JOHN RUBERTI

'Tis good to be merry and wise.

You will always notice Danny by his sharp clothes, cheerful grin, and sparkling conversation. For the past summer Danny has been playing while he worked. He held a position at the "Roll-a-line" at Whalom. When he gets out of school in June, Danny hopes to join the Navy.

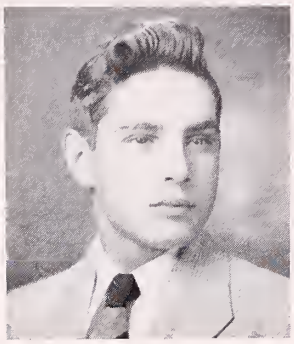
Alternate Representative 2; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4.

LORRAINE MARY SARASIN

Ever fair and ever proud.

Lorraine is well-known around school because of her fun-loving personality. She is small in stature, with dark hair and small features. Her gay spirit dispels any blues that her friends may have. Lorraine enjoys dancing and can be found almost every Saturday night at the Teen Town Canteen.

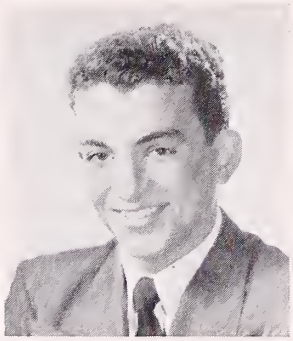
Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Prom Committee 4; Basketball 2, 4.



ROBERT SARKIN

He who is happy frightens away his ills.

Bob seems to be one of our "dark and silent" boys but appearances are deceiving, as anyone who knows him will tell you. Although one seldom sees Bob with girls, he is more interested in them than he appears to be. When he graduates, Bob would like to join the Navy. We think he will look good in a Navy uniform.



JOSEPH MICHAEL SCOLA

The world knows nothing of its greatest men.

Joe, who is known for his skill with a basketball, was one of the bright spots on the basketball team this year. Joe is also known for his ability with the bat in baseball. He had much to do with the success of the "Teen Town Canteen". Joe's cooperation and effort are two of the things that make him a favorite with all of his classmates.

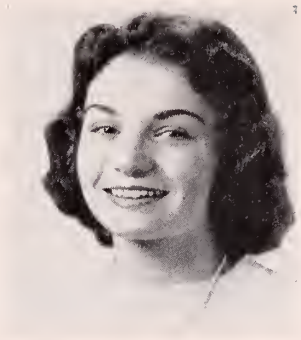
Band 2, 3, 4; Baseball 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Junior Assembly 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4.

EVELYN JOSEPHINE SECINO

Oh! if to dance all night, and dress all day.

One of the most talented members of our class, "Ev" excels in all types of dancing. She was quite an attraction marching in front of the band performing her acrobatic stunts. During her Senior year "Ev" opened her own dancing studio. If ability makes the teacher, her school will certainly be a success.

Majorette 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3.

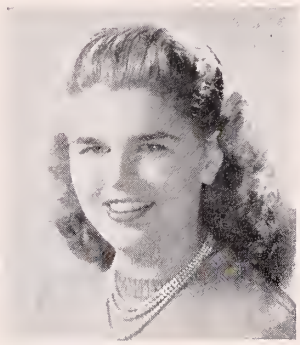


MADELINE ESTHER SENN

A pleasing countenance is no slight advantage.

"Sister" is well known and well-liked around school. She is quiet and reserved, but once you have broken through this barrier you will find a very charming and likeable girl. She was one of our talented majorettes and she claims she never dropped her baton. Madeline also sings with the senior girls sextet and has appeared in many of the dramatic clubs presentations.

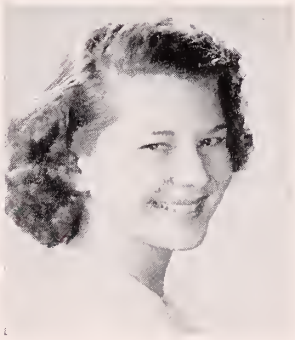
Majorette 3, 4; Basketball 2; Class Ring Committee 3; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Home Room Representative 2, 3; Alternate Representative 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; *Red & Gray* Board 2, 3, 4; Senior Prom Committee 4; Tennis 4; Write-up Committee 4; Radio Club 3; Senior Class play 4; Variety Review 4; Open Meeting of the Dramatic Club 3.



BARBARA ANN SEYMOUR

Silence may be good and can do little harm.

Barb is a happy-go-lucky young lass who is well-liked by her classmates. Every afternoon at the close of school Barb heads down town to get her daily cup of coffee. Most of her time is spent buying cowboy records and sheet music, but she saves some time for movies, parties, and dances. Her never ending wit and cheery nature make her an enjoyable acquaintance.



GLORIA ALICE SHACHOY

A light heart lives long.

Gloria has an abundant supply of good will. She is talented at giving readings, both serious and humorous, as we know from our class meetings. Gloria always seems to have something to do or something on her mind. Among her pastimes are roller-skating, dancing, and bowling. She is also a talented member of the glee club.

Dramatic Club 2; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.

ELWIN WILLIAM SHEPARD

Silence is one great art of conversation.

An active boy with quiet ways, Elwin has a good word for everyone. A pleasing personality is one of the many reasons for Elwin's popularity. Elwin, who plays the bass horn, is a real asset to the band. Being interested in books, he enjoys himself most reading the classics or one of the latest best sellers. Elwin would like to be a bookkeeper or an auditor after graduation.

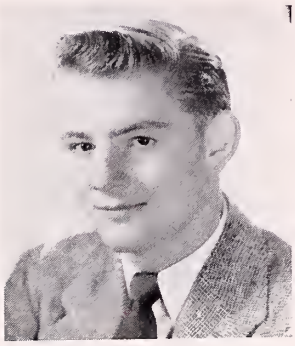
Band 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3.

IRMA KAARINA SIITONEN

Honest endeavor is sure reward.

Irma is a tall, quiet girl with a pleasant disposition. A student of the commercial course, she excels in her studies. Among the things she enjoys doing most, playing the piano is her favorite. After graduation, Irma plans to devote her time to secretarial work.

Basketball 3; Debating Club 4; Home Room Representative 2.

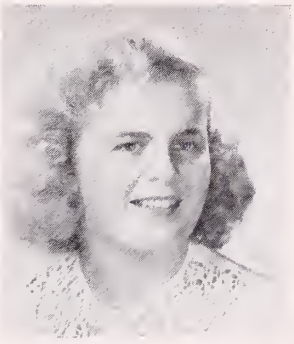


PHILIP EDWARD SIMON, JR.

Who can number the sands of the sea; No one but me!

Phil, the mathematician of the senior class, certainly knows his figures. Realizing that preparation is half the battle, he always tries to complete his homework assignments. An excellent swimmer and senior life saver, he spends his summers teaching this art at Whalom. He's always worrying about his cowlick. It must get tossed around plenty at the "Y" where he's indispensable as an instructor.

Class book 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Alternate Representative 2; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; *Red & Gray* Board 2, 3, 4; Round Table 4; Student Council 2; Exhibit Committee 4.

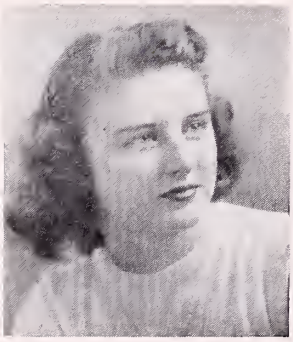


JUNE ANN SLEEPER

She's a regular person straight through.

June is an attractive blonde from Waites Corner. It's difficult to tell which she prefers, baseball or horses. She can talk for hours on either subject. Incidentally, Trigger is her favorite movie star. After graduation June plans to go into nursing.

Junior-Senior Reception 3.



NANCY KAY SMITH

A smile that glows with friendship

Nancy is a sweet, good-natured girl with blue eyes and a charming smile. A member of the commercial course, her name is always on our honor roll. Nancy is a student of ballet and has shown her talents on our stage many times. She spends her spare time working in the office at Murphy's Drug Store. In June, Nancy would like to go into office work.

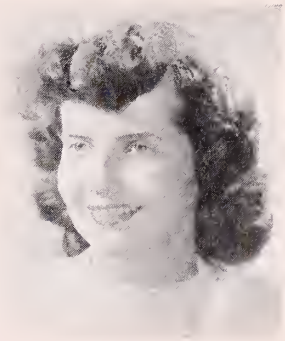
Dramatic Club 2; Glee Club 2; Home Room Representative 2, 3; Junior Assembly 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Write-up Committee 4; Variety Revue 3, 4.

SHELDON GEORGE SMITH

Such as I am, all music lovers are.

Smitty, one of the mainstays of the High School band, is a very talented clarinet player. He is an ardent lover of dancing and roller skating. Close observers notice that he spends some time with homework. In the future, Smitty intends to pursue a musical career.

Band 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3; Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Senior Assembly 4; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.



BETTY JANE SOLOMON

Everyone takes his pleasure where he finds it.

Her ebony hair and large blue eyes make Betty-Jane one of the prettier members of the class. Always faultlessly dressed, she seems to be the center of attraction. As a part-time student, she has worked as a secretary for Miss Dunn during her senior year. Betty isn't sure what she would like to do in the future, but we hear she has a hope chest.

Basketball 2; Class Ring Committee 3, 4; Dramatic Club 2; Glee Club 2.

ARDETH LOUISE SOUTHER

Silence is more beautiful than any song.

Ardeth is the type of person who is never worried and never worries others. She is one of the more quiet and reserved senior girls with an attractive smile and a pleasing personality. After graduation it is Ardeth's ambition to become an X-ray technician. She has all of the qualities which indicate rapid success.

Basketball 4.

KATHERINE SPYLIOS

A girl so sweet and fair, with a happy smile and a pleasant air.

Rena is one of the quieter members of the senior class. Her lovely smile and good sense of humor are part of her treasure. Rena played in the intramural league during the past year. Whenever there is something to be done you can always depend on Rena. She is still undecided about her future plans.

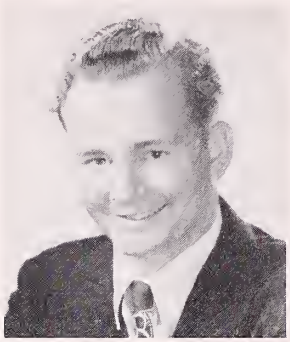
Basketball 2; Glee Club 2; Volleyball 2.

LORING ROBERT STEVENSON

It is well to think well; it is divine to act well.

An honest and sincere fellow, Buddy likes both athletics and studies, although he does have a tough time with Mr. Ruberti in Math. He is a good and stable member of the football, baseball, and basketball teams. Bud is one of our few three letter men. He is not exactly shy but when teased he has a very attractive blush.

Baseball 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Junior Assembly 3; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Senior Prom Committee 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4; Class Play 4.

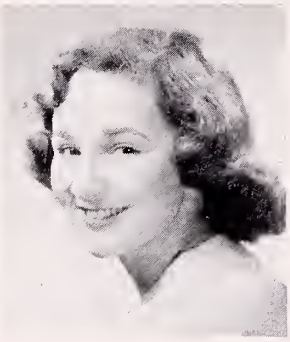


KENNETH STONE

Nothing endures but personal qualities.

Kenny is a quiet, hard-working young man. He has a wonderful personality which draws him many friends. Lately he has been very much interested in photography and spends considerable time taking and developing pictures. In grammar school Kenny won a prize for making the most of his school years and for his pleasing personality. He certainly has done credit to his prize and we know he will continue to do so.

Home Room Representative 2; Alternate Representative.



STEPHANIE ELISABETH STOUMBELIS

I am gay throughout the day!

Beth loves to wear flashy clothes and to get good marks in English. She is one of the nicest girls in the senior class and a prominent member of the Tri-Hi-Y. Beth is in charge of the costumes for the dramatic club. She has taken singing lessons, and is a very proficient semi-classical singer. Beth is noted for her wonderful parties.

Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Prom Committee 4; Variety Review 3, 4.

NORMAN JOSEPH ST. PIERRE

If silence were golden then I would be rich.

Norm is one of our energetic seniors who can be seen hurrying back and forth on the second floor corridor. Among his hidden talents is a flair for playing an excellent game of golf. When it comes to skiing and skating, Norm can stand on his own two feet. He is now employed by the Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Company with whom he wishes to stay after graduation.

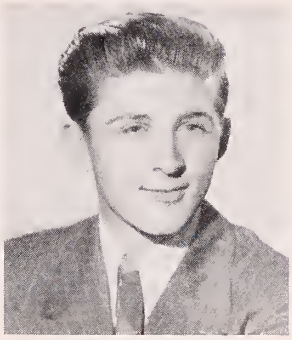
Home Room Representative 3.

LOUISE MARY STROPPARO

Humor is often mingled with sensibility.

Louise is a member of the distinguished group, the F. H. S. majorettes. She is very light-hearted and adds many pleasant moments to her gym class. Louise is especially fond of sports and can be seen strutting in front of the band at all the football games, or sitting in the stands, cheering at all the basketball games. Louise's plans for the years to come are indefinite but they will probably be domestic.

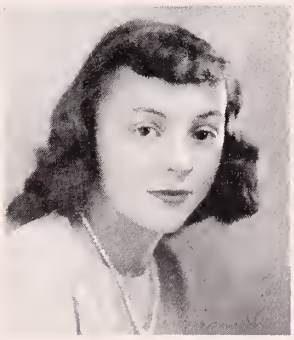
Basketball 2, 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Majorette 3, 4; Variety Revue 4.



DONALD FURBUSH TAYLOR

Happy men shall have many friends.

Don is a fellow who is interested in all types of sports. Occasionally he also lets his interest fall on the opposite sex. He, too, is from South Ashburnham and is proud of it. Don hasn't made up his mind regarding the future but we wish him a lot of luck in the years to come.

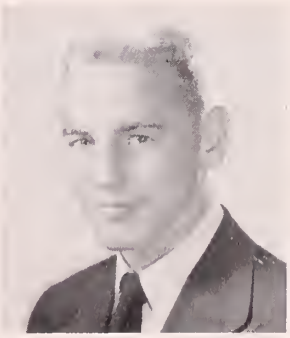


MARGUERITE MARY THIBAULT

A bright flash and she's here and gone.

Marg is energy and good-nature personified. The pride and joy of West Fitchburg, Marg is one of the best-liked members of our class. Although she is small, she uses this fact as an asset rather than as a liability. Marguerite works at a local pocketbook factory after school. After graduation she plans to enter teacher's college.

Basketball 2; Class Ring Committee 3; Glee Club 3; Home Room Representative 2; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Volleyball 2; Youth Library Campaign 3.

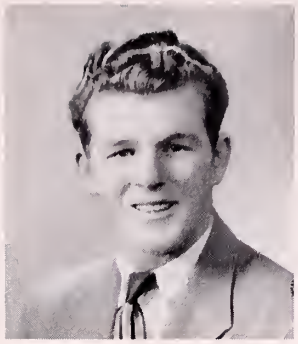


PAUL HUGH THIBODEAU

He is well paid that is well satisfied.

A big blond with a fine personality, Paul, better known as "Tib", drives a beautiful car that could almost be called a hot-rod. He likes swimming and movies and is very much interested in football, having been a member of the team for the past three years. Paul plans to join the Marine Corps.

Football 2, 3, 4; Junior Prom Committee 3; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.



JOHN AMOS THOMAS

Upon my shoulders, the world rests.

Amos, as everyone calls him, is the type of boy who keeps school from becoming dull. His witty remarks and high voice have brightened our class rooms. A member of the Turner Gymnasts, Amos has succeeded in developing a physique similar to that of Charles Atlas. Football has been his mainstay in sports during school and his blocking often went unnoticed while someone else carried the ball.

Football 3, 4.

JUNE IRENE THOMAS

A friend in need is a friend indeed.

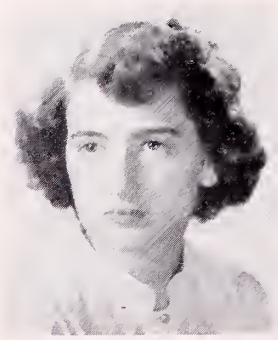
June, a happy blue-eyed miss, is one of the diminutive members of our class. Movies, parties, and dances are her favorite pastimes. It is very seldom that she is seen without her chum, Annette. Swimming is her favorite sport and she is very good at it. Because of her pleasing personality she is a friend of everyone.

MARGARET THERESA TIERNAN

She is never quiet but when she is sleeping.

Maggie is one of our part-timers who works for Mr. Dufour. We like the way her eyes sparkle when she laughs. A very chic dresser, she always looks as if she just stepped out of a fashion magazine. Maggie expects to pursue secretarial work after graduation.

Basketball 2, 3; Dramatic Club 2; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Tennis 2, 3.

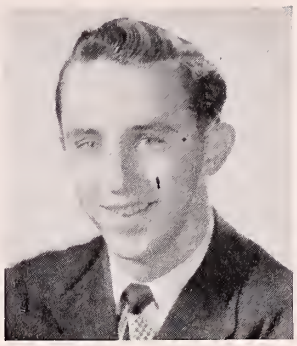


JOAN ESTELLE TOBIN

Nothing ever seems to bother her.

Joan is one of our carefree, happy-go-lucky seniors. She is exceptionally fond of the movies and ice skating. She also spends much of her spare time working at the Cleghorn Variety Store. Joan attends all school functions and is an ardent booster of the school. She is very interested in merchandising and hopes to attend the Kathryn Gibbs school after graduation.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 2; Tennis 2, 3; Volleyball 2.



RICHARD FRANCIS TOOMEY

Wit is the salt of conversation, not the food.

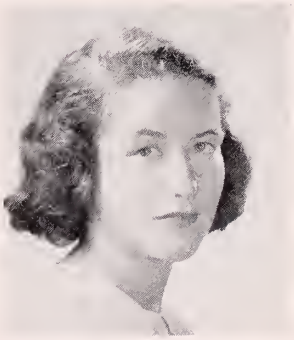
Dick's easy humor and sure-fire wit have left their mark on all of us, but we are none the worse for it. Dick is always neatly dressed, and well he should be because he works in Cranes Clothing Store after school. His friends are sure his future is either in comedy or in auto mechanics, because he is proficient at both.

Class Ring Committee 3; Home Room Representative 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3.

ANNETTE JANE TOWLE

A laugh is worth a hundred groans in any language.

Annette is a very quiet little lady with blue eyes and brown hair. It seems as though she never tires of going to movies, dances, and parties. She likes to play basketball or volleyball but would rather be swimming or skating.



PHYLLIS RAE TUCKER

A smiling face is a joy to behold.

"Phyl's" capability as an office worker may be proven by the efficient job she has done as a part-timer in the school office. She is an ardent sports fan and never misses a game. Because of her exceptional talent for the piano, she is an invaluable asset to the school orchestra. West Fitchburg may justly be proud of "Phyl".

Home Room Representative 2; Junior Prom Committee 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Orchestra 2; Volleyball 2; Variety Revue 3, 4.

DORIS RITA TURELL

A modest, sweet, and unassuming maid.

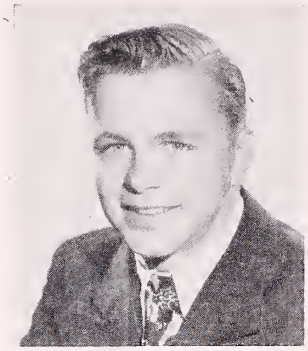
Doris appears to be quiet and shy but those who know her best can justly contradict that statement. On week-ends she spends most of her time roller-skating at Whalom; and, from all observations, appears to be quite accomplished at it. Doris has not decided on after-graduation plans.

Glee Club 2, 3.

THERESA MARGARET VARIEUR

To climb steep hills requires slow pace at first.

Terry, the dark-haired, brown-eyed girl, can be recognized by her bright smile. Although Terry is usually soft-spoken, she doesn't go unnoticed by any means. She has a very definite place of honor in the circle of her friends. Besides this, she is quite skilled at making deluxe sundaes and other tasty dishes.

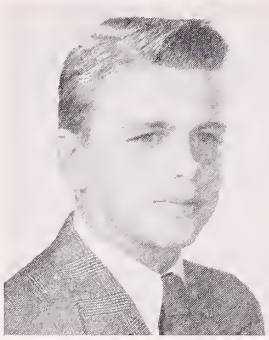


EDGAR JEAN VEAUTOUR

Which is which?

Edgar, or better known as "Egar" is always ready for an adventure. He is a wonderful sport and a good friend. "Egar" is one of the auto mechanics. He is interested in all sports and his favorite is baseball. "The life of any party" describes him perfectly.

Ski Club 4.

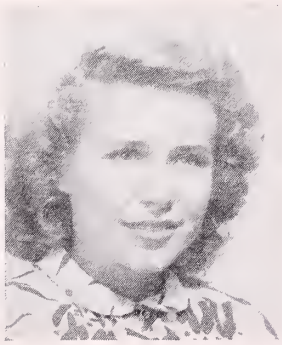


GERARD DENNIS VEAUTOUR

Which is which?

Gerry is one who has a ready smile and is always prepared for fun as is his twin brother. Gerry belongs to the vocational group. He is a very good swimmer and also a fine baseball player. Despite the fact that Gerry claims to be a woman-hater, he does very well for himself.

Baseball 3, 4; Junior-Senior Relay 3; Ski Club 4.

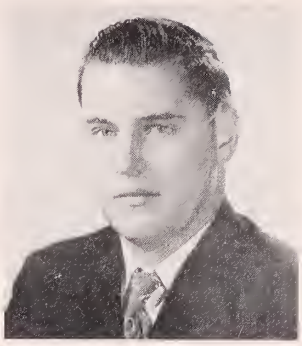


BEVERLY JUNE WAID

An effort made for the happiness of others lifts us above ourselves.

Bev is one of the prettiest girls in the class. She always is immaculately dressed in the latest fashions, but particularly she enjoys wearing sweaters. Bev is always ready to lend a helping hand or an encouraging word to anyone who is in difficulty. She likes to do many things and she does them all well. Her pet hobbies are swimming, horses and airplanes. She would like to become an airline stewardess after she graduates.

Basketball 2; Class Color Committee 3; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Home Room Representative 2; Alternate Representative 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; *Red & Gray* Board 2, 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4.

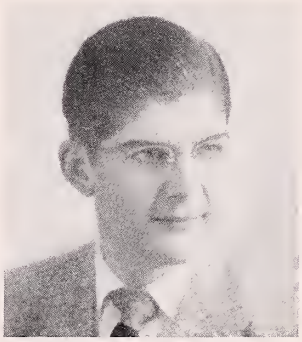


ROBERT SPENCER WALLACE

Content is wealth, the riches of the mind;
And happy he who can such riches find.

A fellow who is well-liked by everyone. Bob is a resident of South Ashburnham and he makes that long trip every day by bus. Bob is a great baseball enthusiast, in fact for the last year or so he has been playing for the Ashburnham town team. Bob is not sure what he will do after graduation.

Baseball 2; Alternate Representative 3; Student Council 3.

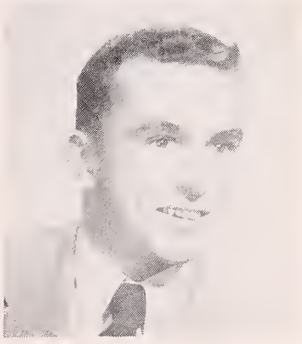


WILLIAM MICHAEL WALSH

Happy the man who has been able to find out the cause of things.

Big Bill, whose garb is always faultless and precise, is a special honor student; his specialties being science and math. No one who went to F.H.S. football games could miss Bill playing the drum in the band. Bill can always be counted on for a witty joke or pun. He was awarded a Matriculation Scholarship by Worcester Polytechnic Institute. We all know he will be successful in the engineering field he pursues.

Band 2, 3, 4; Classbook 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Round Table 4; *Red & Gray* Board 4.

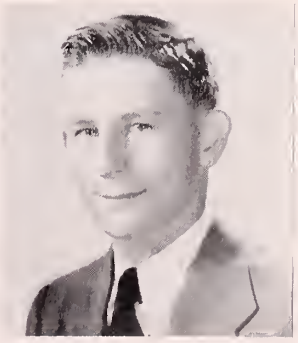


HARLAN JOSEPH WEBSTER

Thou art a skier and an excellent one at that.

Junior, or Web as he is known to the majority of the members of the senior class, is one of the most popular and likeable boys in the class. Web is well known for his skiing and was president of the Ski Club. Ask him where he got those "beeyootiful" dimples, and he'll probably answer, "Bought them at the five and ten." Where there is snow, you can surely find Web.

Dramatic Club 3, 4; Home Room Representative 3, 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Senior Assembly 4; Senior Prom Committee 4; Ski Club 4; Track 3, 4.

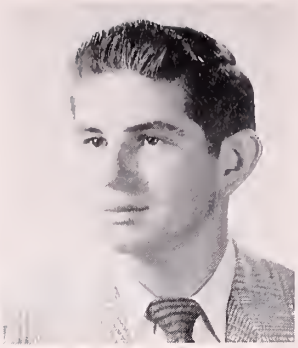


HAROLD GEORGE WELTERLEN

Good friends, good cheer—these be his goal.

Known as Bub to everyone, this fine classmate has the undying devotion of a myriad of friends. He is such a likeable fellow it is difficult to say "no" to any of his requests. Bubby claims to be a hunter of some renown, but to our knowledge he has never shot anything. He is an excellent baseball player and played for the high school team for two years. Service in Uncle Sam's Navy holds a great lure and soon after graduation he may give in.

Baseball 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.

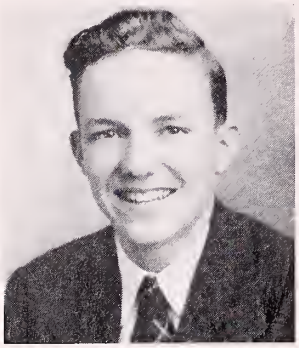


CARLOS CHAUNCEY WHITNEY

Knowledge, love, power,—there is the complete life.

"Whit" is a good-humored gentleman who addresses almost everyone by "mister". Both he and "Brud" did a good job as managers of the football squad. Whit hasn't bothered to get his driver's license as yet, because he is being chauffered around by his younger brother, Bob. The boys do not see much of "Whit" as he spends his spare time around the womenfolk.

Football Manager 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Track 3, 4; Write-up Committee 4.



PHILIP CAREY WHITNEY, JR.

Speech is power.

Phil is an extremely busy man around school in extracurricular activities. He is also kept very busy with his scout troop and his work as a forest ranger. His confidence is inspiring and can be seen to its best advantage when he is orating. Phil has not yet decided on his life's work, but we wish him good fortune in any venture he may embark upon.

Debating Club 2, 3; Dramatic Club 2; Photography Club 4.

JANET ALDA WILSON

Tall and serene, as fine a girl ever seen.

When Jan smiles at you, her whole face sparkles. This is quite an unusual attribute to possess. She likes all sports, particularly ice-skating. Brimming over with school spirit, she attends all school functions. Jan hopes to enter the Katharine Gibbs secretarial school in the fall.

Basketball 2, 3; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Ski Club 4; Tennis 2, 3; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4; Volleyball 2, 3.

RICHARD NORMAN WILSON

What could we do without him?

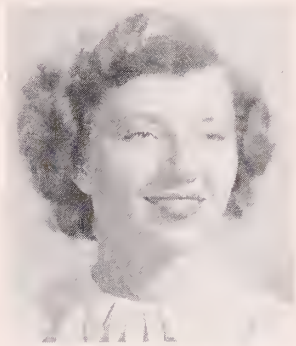
Almost everyone in the class knows Dick by his curly blond locks. Dick is always immaculately dressed; slacks, sweaters, and flashy sport shirts are his specialty. He is a member of the local Hi-Y. Dick spends his afternoons working at Kennedy's Butter Store, but when he has time off he either goes swimming or plays baseball. Dick would like to become an electrical engineer.

Class Color Committee 3; Class Motto Committee 3; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Junior-Senior Relay 3, 4; Senior Prom Committee 4; Write-up Committee 4; Open Meeting of Dramatic Club 3.

PHYLLIS EILEEN WINTHROP

It is the quiet worker who succeeds.

Phyllis is one of our very neat dressers who always looks as if she had just stepped out of Vogue. She is inclined to be a person of many moods but she has a knack of silent accomplishment. She is not keen on studying but nevertheless keeps up a good record.



ELIZABETH ROBERTS WISWELL

Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.

Betty, a versatile Waites Corner belle, is always bubbling over with vitality. She is a Sunday school teacher and in her spare time she is busily occupied with her girl scout troop. Due to her active interest in sports, she received the Amiott prize during her junior year. In Liz's own words, she's "tricky".

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2; Alternate Representative 3; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Tennis 3, 4; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Senior Play 4.

JOHN WESLEY WOFFORD, JR.

Strength of limb and policy of mind.

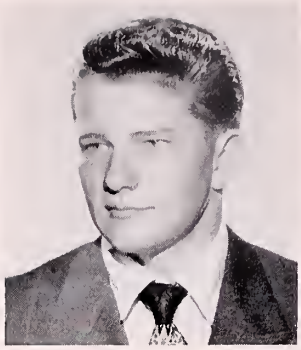
Jack, our broad-shouldered football hero, is well-liked by all. He is fond of all sports, but football is his favorite. He was elected as center to the Worcester County All Star team this year. Jack seems to be quite quiet and slightly cynical to those who don't know him. His friends, however, enjoy his good sense of humor. Jack's future probably includes plenty of football and loads of good times.

Baseball 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3; Classbook 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3, 4; Junior-Senior Reception 3; Write-up Committee 4.

NANCY BARBARA WRIGHT

A jolly good girl is she.

Nancy is a merry and good-natured girl. Her cheerful laugh can be heard everywhere, which makes her very pleasant to have around. Nancy has many hobbies, but she is particularly interested in volleyball and bowling. Our magic mirror tells us that she is undecided about future plans.

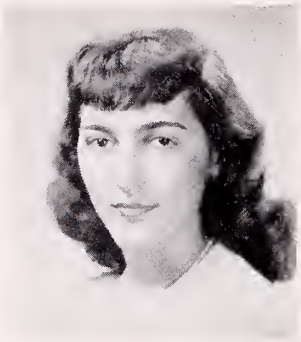


HERMAN AUGUST WUOTI

Not quiet, not loud, but noticeable in a crowd.

Although Herman seems to be one of the more quiet fellows of the class, he has made his mark among us. His special interest is skiing, and he can be seen almost any Sunday afternoon during winter practicing his art on some nearby hill. Herman also likes football, and his strong shoulders make him a valuable player on any team. Herman likes most girls, but his special preference is *redheads.*

Football 2, 3; Home Room Representative 3; Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4.



ELEANOR JEAN ZICHELLE

A lassie with long black hair.

That dark-haired and dark-eyed girl we see on the fourth floor is no one but Ellie. Although she is quiet, she has many friends among her classmates. Ellie has great artistic talent which she will demonstrate when needed. Most of her afternoons are spent working in one of our local Five and Tens.

Basketball 2; Classbook 4; Glee Club 3; Junior Prom Committee 3; Senior Prom Committee 4; Volleyball 2.

JOYCE DOW

A little maid but wondrous wise.

Those who know Joyce, recognize her as a petite brunette with a smile that dazzles. Her favorite pastime is reading books, especially recent novels and mystery stories. Joyce would like to be a telephone operator after graduation.

ROBERT MARTON KINSMAN

His interests range o'er everything.

Bob seems to be a quiet fellow around school but those who are acquainted with him outside, know differently. His carefree attitude and his jolly laugh make him a pleasant companion at all times. Among other things, he likes swimming and skiing. Bob has decided to cast his lot with the U. S. Army.

WILLIAM LOUIS OAKS

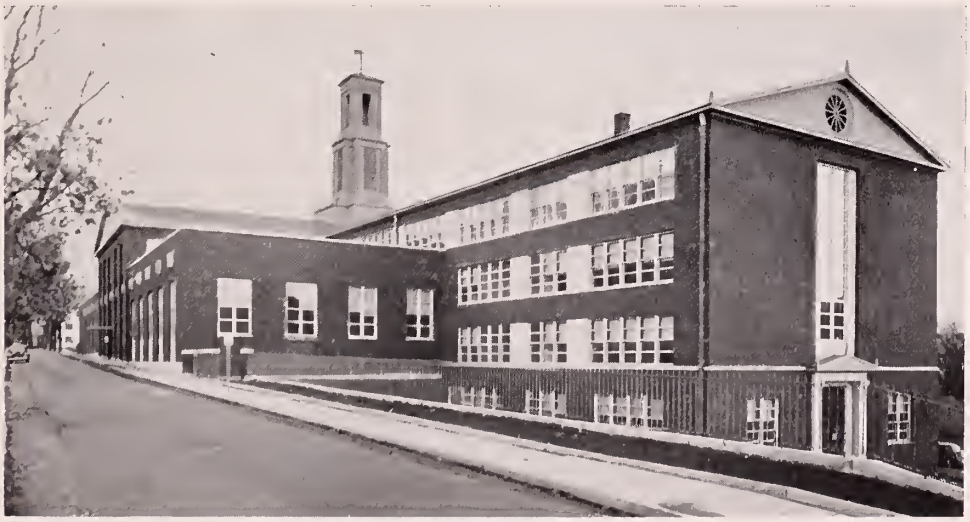
Silence has many virtues.

Bill, one of the stalwarts of this years grid team, is one of the quieter members of our class. However, if you bring up a point on which he does not agree, you are in for a good sound argument. Bill enjoys the outdoor life and his favorite way of spending leisure moments is hunting. This easygoing fellow, with his nice Southern drawl, should be a great success in the years to come.

ROBERT BIRTRAM STACY

I can move fast, but why the exertion?

"Ginney", as he is known to most of us, is an outdoor man. He loves to hunt and fish—but he dislikes girls. A conscientious individual, we hope he may find time in the future to do the things he enjoys. Bob would like to join the Navy upon graduation.



PLEASANT STREET ENTRANCE

Class History

"We the Class of '49"—that has a familiar ring to it, doesn't it? Less than four years ago—September '45 to be exact—we were just a scattered group of individuals waiting and wondering, a little apprehensively, what this high school career we were launching would bring us. Now it is nearly four years later and we really are the "Class of '49" waiting now to launch our individual careers again, but still feeling a "togetherness" with our classmates—a feeling of having shared a great many experiences we will always remember. Let's take a last quick look now at our accomplishments and, maybe, mishaps—at our class history, as it were . . .

As a unit, perhaps the thing most of us will remember longest is our athletic prowess. Who among us can forget the thrill of watching our classmates win, say, a football game from a strong opposing team? Following as we did the highly vaunted class of '48, we were at a slight disadvantage to begin with, and those looking forward to the grid season of '48 were more than a little dubious about its outcome. However, much to our joy and pride, it turned out to be one of the best seasons in years. Back in '46, Alex Emma, Tony Petrides, Herb Pandiscio, Bud Stevenson, and Herm Wuoti (then sophomores) were already showing progress on the grid squad, but in '48, as juniors, they really blossomed out, having been joined by Jim Carey, Jack Wofford, Art Capone, and Steve Keoseian. Remember those game-winning placement kicks and the spectacular touchdown runs made by Art Capone? Remember the dependable strength exerted by linesman Alex Emma, Jim Carey, and Jack Wofford, who was named All Northern Worcester County center in '48. Well, came the Fall of '48 and these same "Iron-Men"—with the added strength of seniors Phil Madonia, Bill Oakes, John Thomas, Bill Bernier, and Red Goguen and the rest of the team—made grid history by completing F. H. S.'s season with seven wins, one tie, and two defeats—the best record since 1935! The Thanksgiving game with Leominster was a thriller—a hard fought contest which we won 13-7, and which brought to the forefront a new hero, '49'er Herb Pandiscio who really played the game of his life. So, years from now when we look back on our class's grid history, we will certainly be able to do so with pride.

Our basketball history, 'though not so spectacular, is still noteworthy. Here again we had to follow a highly successful '47-'48 team and, though the over-all record of wins and losses isn't as good, we still had first-rate individual stars. Starting out as sophomores on the B squad, Anthony Montesion, Joe Scola, Bud Stevenson, Red Goguen, Dick Miner, and Jack Wofford piled up the fine record of 14 wins out of 17 starts, and then as juniors, they could point with pride to the fine record of both squad A and squad B. As seniors we were especially proud of high-scoring, basket-makers Dick Miner, Bud Stevenson, Joe Scola, Red Goguen, Dick Braks, Leon Cote, and Art Capone. Some of these contests were really thrillers— that Gardner game we won 31-20! What a game with St. Bernard's 39-34, our team was top scorer of course! Finally, came a major upset of the year, our defeat of Worcester Classical 34-32! We won't be able to forget those games easily!

In track, as in tennis, individual stars really shine. Our class was especially fortunate in having stand-outs in both fields. Since we were freshmen, Irving Hecker has been

the undisputed tennis king of F. H. S. In track, we were lucky enough to claim Red Goguen and Dick Miner as classmates. Red, who was the state's 100-yard schoolboy champion in his sophomore year, also held a key position in last year's New England champion schoolboy relay team. Dick has a fine record as a half-miler.

Baseball somehow just doesn't gain the prominence other sports get at F. H. S.—guess the others just manage to steal its thunder—but that isn't saying the fellows who play it aren't potential "Bob Fellers" and "Lou Boudreaus". Our senior stand-outs this year were Gene Beaudette, Jack Wofford, Bub Welterlen, Joe Scola, Bud Stevenson, Art Capone, and Dick Braks, most of whom were veterans of many hard fought battles on the diamond. They're the ones, too, who saw action several times in those pitched battles against a seasonal faculty team!

Not to forget the girls and their sports and the fellows who took part in the intramurals, here's a last look at them, too! Our gals, as freshmen, made a rather inauspicious start by getting those field day marching drills just a "wee" bit mixed up (remember—or would you rather forget?); but since then, they've really gone to town with their intramural volleyball and basketball teams. Senior champs this year in both sports were the "Westies" (who, however, didn't all come from "over there.") Then for the fellows, interest in intramural basketball was one hundred per cent in our senior year, and we were proud of the seniors on the Champion team, the "Staggs", who put on a good show (and how!) playing against the faculty.

Our plays, proms, Junior-Senior Reception, record dances, Variety Revue—all these and a dozen other extra-curricular activities, integral parts of our F. H. S. careers, will always form a big share of our best memories of high school.

First, let's look at our parties and proms. Our class really knew how to give them. We started out as freshmen and sophomores giving record dances, but they never fully realized what we could do until our Junior Prom time came around and we presented them with a "Fiesta"—and it really was one! Bill Bernier and his committee (with the help of faculty advisers) worked hard to attain the effect, and it certainly was a success. Murals depicting Latin American dancers, merry-go-rounds, life size figures of bull fighters, a large red and gold awning for the chaperones (not old crones!) to sit under, red lights to make the whole holiday more effective—well! And then, that Latin music to dance to—guess everyone felt a bit Spanish that night! No less a success was our Thanksgiving dance, though part of that success might have been attributed to the morning's victory, the complete rout of the Leominster eleven. The football tinge was everywhere from the decorations to the clever dance programs and the dance chairman himself, hero of the game, Herb Pandiscio. Really appropriate. The Senior Prom is in the capable hands of Dick Miner, as chairman, and we expect this to be an event which will be long remembered.

The dramatic achievements of our class have not been overlooked, but they are omitted from this class history inasmuch as they appear elsewhere in this book under "Footlights and Spotlights".

Next, a glance at our governing fellow-students, those engaged in journalistic or literary enterprises, and others similarly employed in worthy pursuits. Our Student Council members have really made a name for themselves. As juniors, Dick Braks, as vice-president, and Dick Miner, as treasurer, were already top dogs in the new associa-

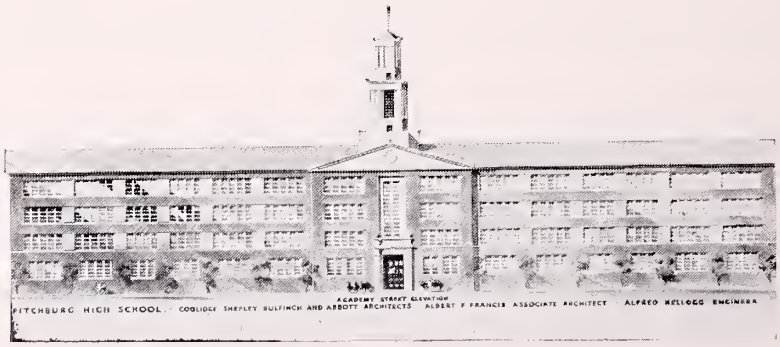
tion. Then Gerry Darcangelo and Dick Braks were chosen Editors of the "Student Council Review". This year, Gerry Darcangelo was president of the whole shebang. Also, he was our state senator on "Good Government Day"—gad, what power! Art Capone was our district representative. We elected and sent Mona Irvine to the D. A. R. Convention as our "Good Citizen" from F. H. S.

As for journalistic and literary enterprises, the two stand-outs are the *Red & Gray* and the *Boulder.* The editors and their respective staffs had to keep their shoulders to the wheel and noses to the grindstone, but all felt it was well worth the effort. *Red & Gray* editor, Ellen Manninen, assistant, Helen Rahnasto, and *Boulder* editor, Dick Braks, and assistant, Ruth Chalmers, certainly felt those responsibilities, but also the satisfactions that came with their positions.

Now last, but far from least, a commendation of our officers who served us faithfully and well during our junior and senior years. They've been outstanding in other ways, too—"Red" as an all-around athlete, Mona and Shirley in many fields, but mainly as talented dancers, and outstanding students, and Eddie for the great trust placed upon him.

We weren't a class of prodigies, geniuses, or the like, but we did boast a fairly good number of "brains" right through four years. This was shown pretty well when the Gold F's were awarded to ten per cent of our class—a goodly percentage. We boasted mathematicians and scientists in Bill Walsh, Dick Wilson, Phil Simon, Larry Kabatchnick, Boy Naylor, Jim Goodspeed and Louis Rossner, to name a few, and also quite a number of Commercial Course "sharks"—Irma Siitonen with six A's and Frances Adams with five—Wow! In athletics we went ahead like a beacon light, with stars in every sport. We are mighty proud to be the graduating class on the 100th anniversary of F. H. S. as a free public high school; after all, that only happens once in a hundred years. We can look back upon our history with pride, and look forward to our future with confidence. Long live the class of 1949!!!

[*Class History by Ellen Manninen*]



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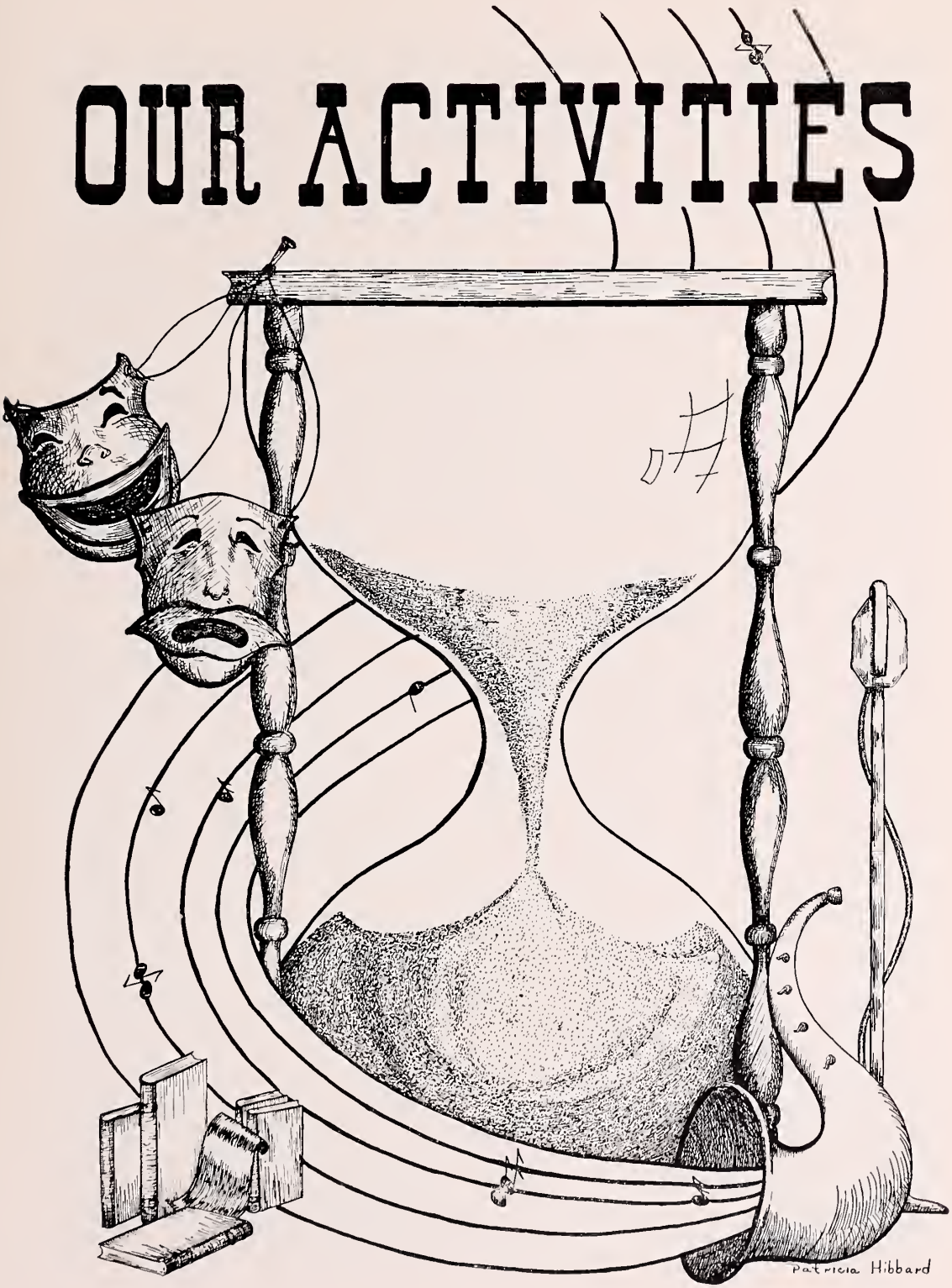

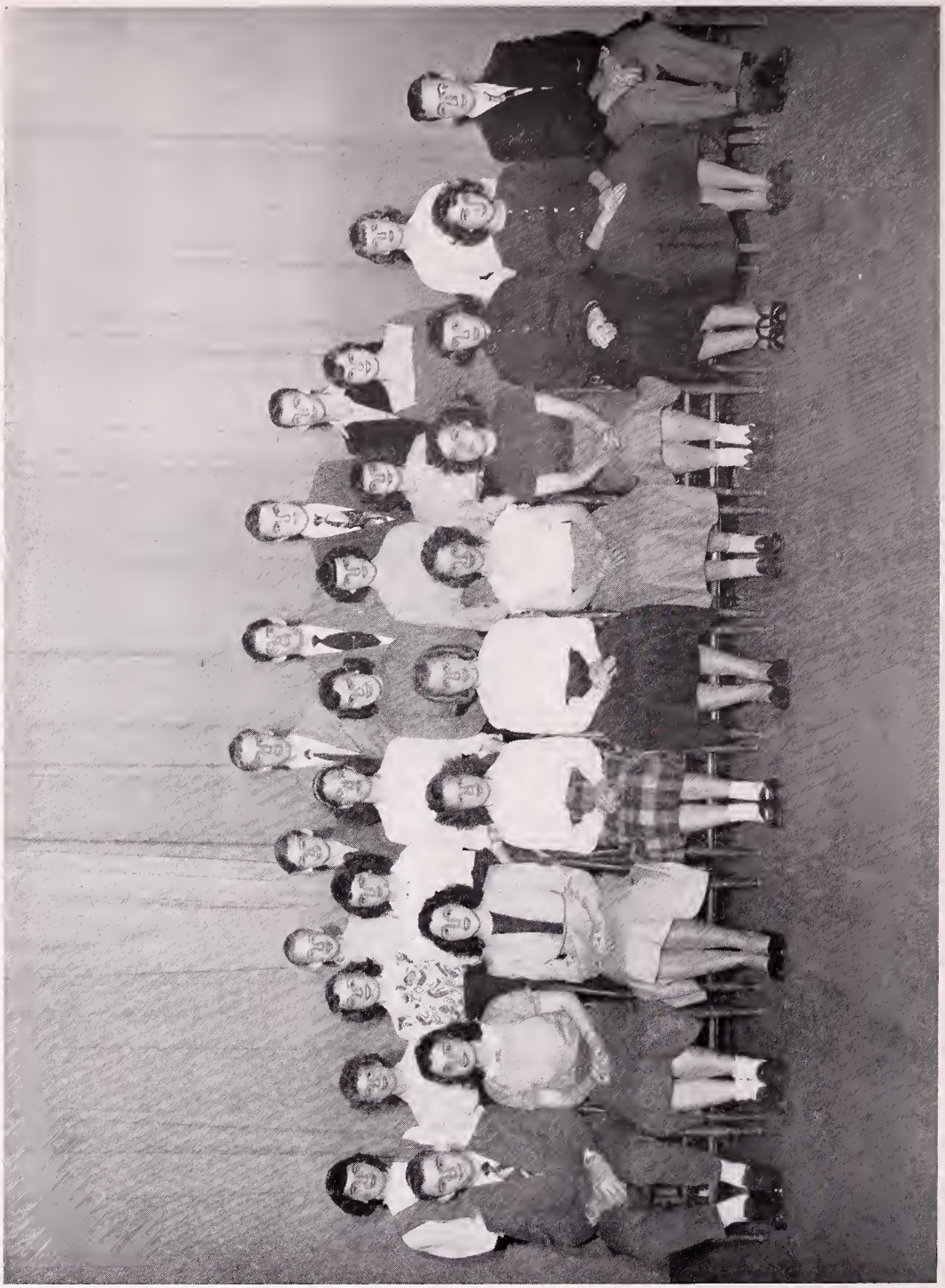

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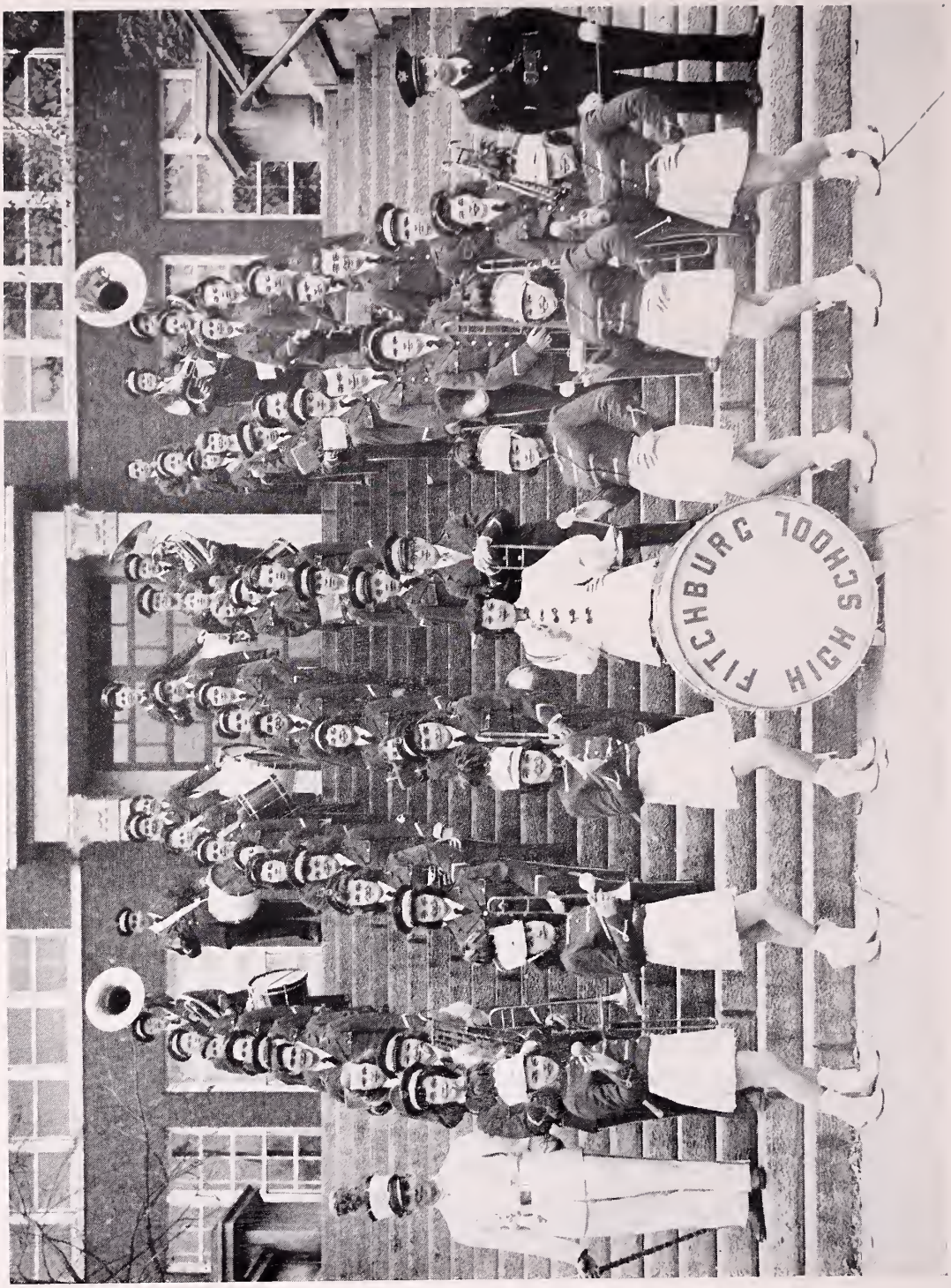

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"Footlights and Spotlights"

"The play's the thing", said Shakespeare, and we the class of '49 agree.

The thespian achievements of the class of '49 began with "The Bard at Bakersville High", the one act play presented in our sophomore year at open meeting. But, woe to us, we lost, even though Shirley Aaltonen's red flannels—and Shirley herself—made a big hit with the audience! Then came our junior year and we had three chances to prove our ability—dramatic and otherwise. First came the Variety Revue. Our vice-president, Mona Irvine, did a swell job in her dual capacity as dance director and "danseuse", and our junior class was otherwise well represented too. In the "chorus" numbers (warning, chorus girls watch out!) were Gerry Darcangelo, Jim Goodspeed, Jim Angelos, Dick Miner, and Art Capone, who also doubled as a crooner, while Larry Kabatchnick "orated" as a negro preacher. Bill Walsh and his quintet "made with the music"; Mona Irvine, Shirley Aaltonen, Ruth Clark, Nancy Smith, and Beverly Chase gracefully performed in the feature dances, and Evelyn Secino presented some of those wonderful, amazing acrobatic specialties. Our next chance to perform came 'round with the Competitive Plays of '47 and this time our bid for victory was with scenes from "Best Foot Forward". Remember Mona in her role as the glamorous movie star, and Gerry as the befuddled college boy with two women on his hands? The cast of clever supporting actors included Junior Webster, Herb Pandiscio, Ruth Chalmers, Shirley Aaltonen, Madeline Senn, Pat Hibbard, and Laurence Kabatchnick. Guess it just wasn't forward enough 'cause the seniors carried the day and we said "wait 'til next year!" Well anyway, we got even with them in the Junior-Senior reception, which to put it mildly, was a howling success. This, of course, wasn't a strictly "drama-tic" affair, but certainly, bigger corn-fed "hams" couldn't have been found in Kansas. Then, we became dignified seniors and fortune smiled upon our efforts; we won that coveted cup in the Competitive Plays with our presentation of "Command Performance". Mona Irvine won the award for being best actress of the evening, and Larry Kabatchnick, the award for best actor, with Gerry Darcangelo coming in for honorable mention. As for the Variety Revue who, but who, could forget some of those really classic numbers—like the bathing suits in "By the Sea" and also "Chloe" as interpreted by those two madeup seniors, Rudy Minichiello and Gerry Darcangelo? Then too "Red" Goguen, our president, was the perfect M. C. and Mona again exercised her ability as dance director and dancer, while Phyllis Tucker plied the 88 ivories, and turned in a swell performance as accompanist. However, our senior play really climaxed the whole shebang; our fervent thanks go to Cornelia Otis Skinner and Emily Kimbrough for their wonderful play, "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay". For with their help and Miss Lillian Taylor's the entire cast had the audience rolling in the aisles, and then sitting up for more! Mona Irvine, as Cornelia Otis Skinner, and Shirley Aaltonen, as Emily Kimbrough, delighted the audience with their grace, ease, and smoothness in the long leading roles. Thanks to the cast for ending our history in the field of drama with such a success!

All our dramatic success is not attributable to our own talents and work, but to the never-ceasing help of our dramatic director, Miss Lillian Taylor. It is she who kept these performances functioning smoothly. In recognition of this, we senior members of the dramatic club extend to her our sincere thanks for the help she has given us.

Scenes from "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay"

"Our Hearts Were Young and Gay"

by Cornelia Otis Skinner and Emily Kimbrough

Dramatized by Jean Kerr

THE CAST

Steward	Norman Goguen
Mrs. Skinner	Beverly Chase
Cornelia Otis Skinner	Mona Irvine
Otis Skinner	Loring Stevenson, Jr.
Emily Kimbrough	Shirley Aaltonen
Purser	James Carey
Stewardess	Madeline Senn
Dick Winters	Gerald Darcangelo
Admiral	Harlan Webster
Harriet St. John	Ruth Chalmers
Winifred Blaugh	Ruth Mary Clark
Leo McEvoy	Richard Miner
Inspector	Gloria Shachoy
Therese	Jane Allen
Madam Elise	Beth Stoumbelis
Monsieur de la Croix	Noel Davis
Window Cleaner	James Angelos

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Director's Assistants	Marilyn Dempsey and Jeanne Corkum
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Publicity	Phyllis Tucker and Pat Morse
Property Manager	Elizabeth Wiswell
Art	Pat Hibbard
Costumes	Beth Stoumbelis and Alice Dori
Head Usher	Theresa Dupont

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TAKING TIME OUT FROM "THE COMMAND PERFORMANCE"

"GOLD F" PUPILS

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1949

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Not in picture: William Bernier, Arthur Capone, Jeanne Corkum, Philip Madonia, Louis Rossner, Loring Stevenson.

CLASS SONG 1949

Words by
HELEN RAHNASTO

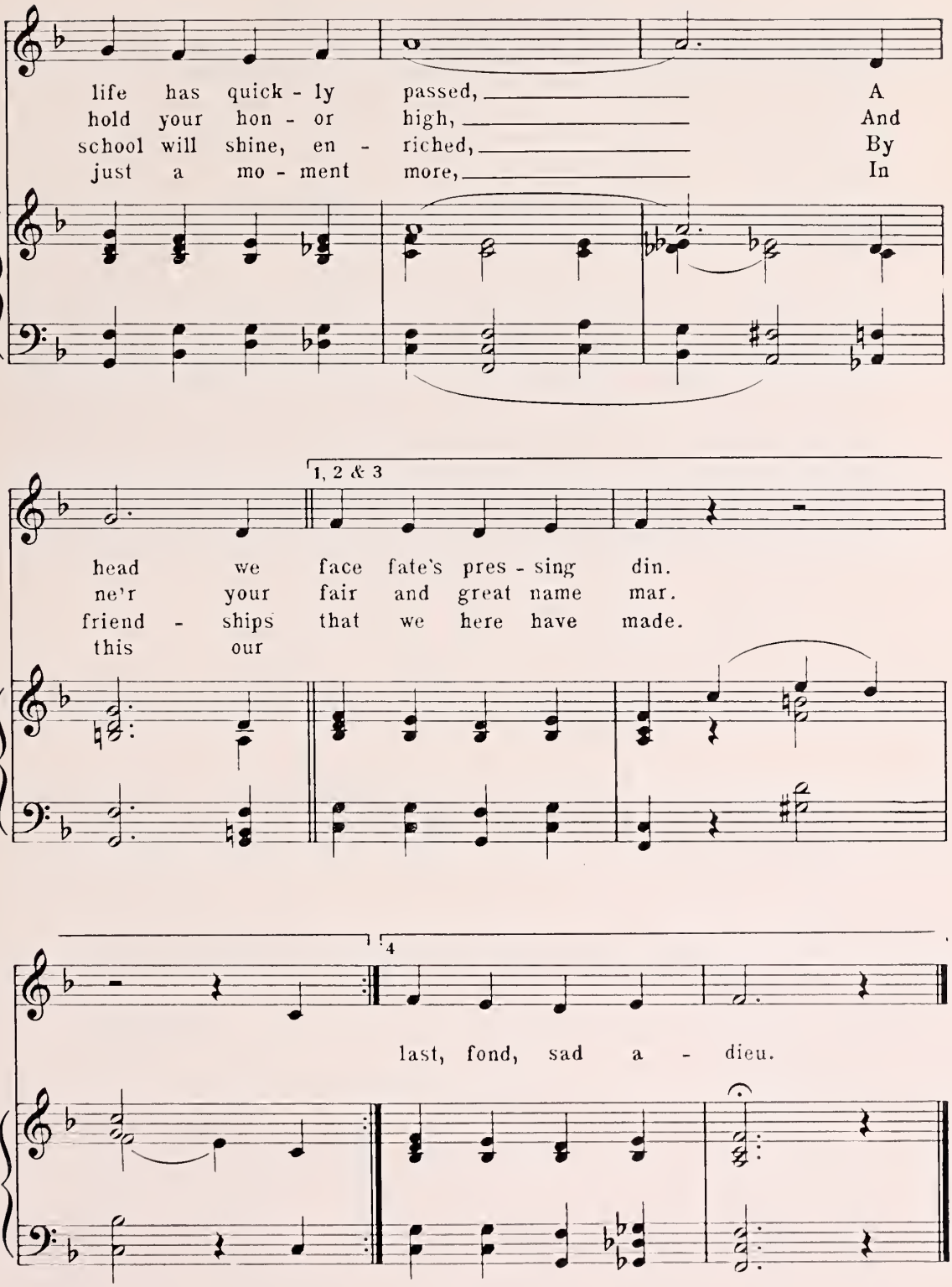
Music by
KENNETH FAHLMAN

Slowly *(Sentimentally)*

To - night our loy - al voi - ces rise
Be - lov - ed school of F. H. S.
And in the man - y years to come
Oh, we the class of for - ty - nine

In last fare - well to all that's
Tho' paths may lead us on a -
As mem - - o - ries grow dim and
Be - fore we grasp our sta - tus

been; Our high school
far; We'll al - - ways
fade, Our thoughts of
new, We'll lin - - ger



Class Song 1949

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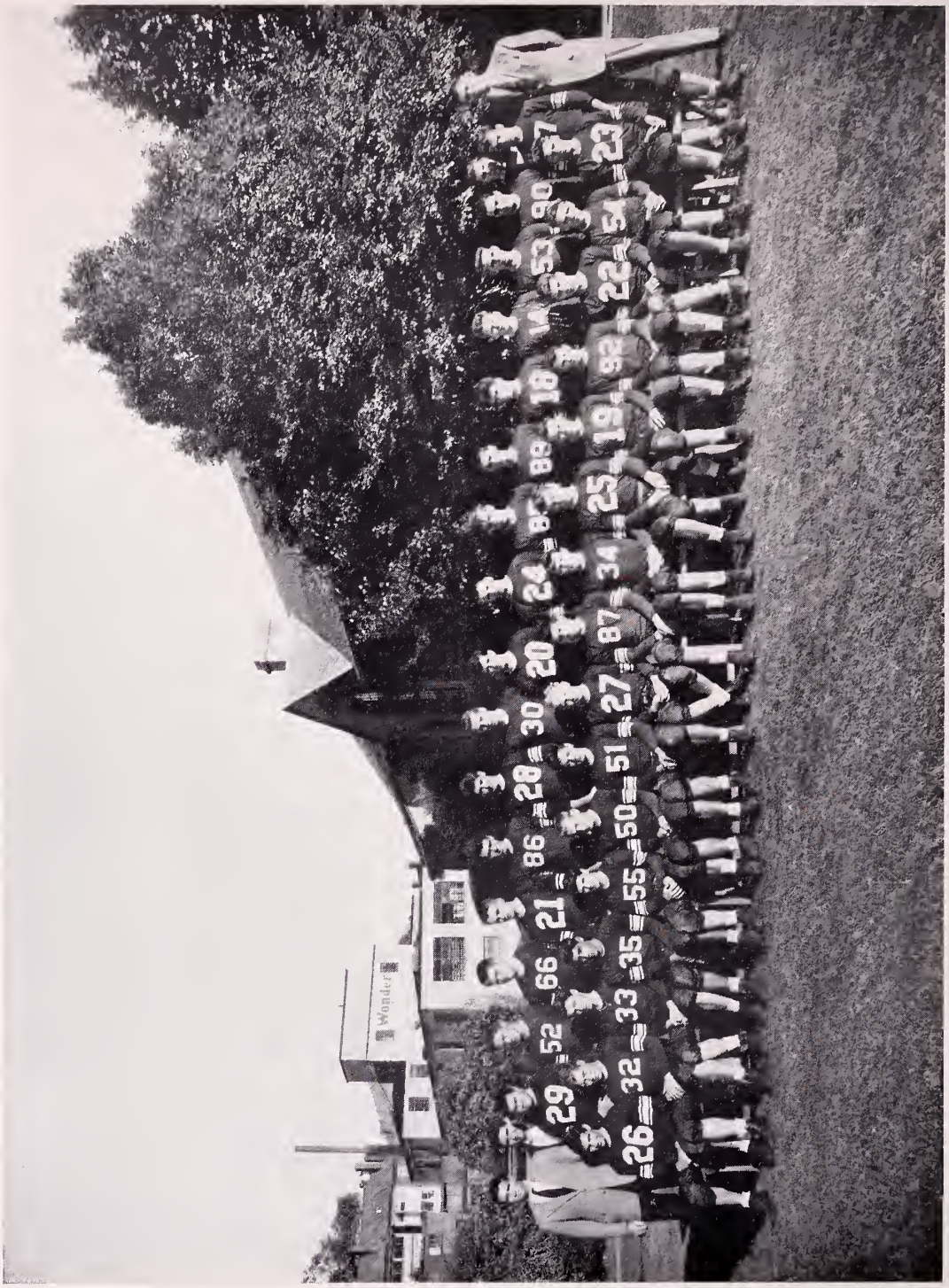

THE FOOTBALL TEAM

FOOTBALL TEAM

SQUAD A

Number	*Name*	*Number*	*Name*
17	Robert Shaughnessy '51	34	Charles Bowen '50
18	Raymond Berube '50	35	Herbert Pandiscio '49
19	Ronald Erickson '50	50	Paul Thibodeau '49
20	Hugh McCann '50	51	Victor Derosier '50
21	William Bernier '49	52	John Wofford '49
22	George Thomas '51	53	Francis Batura '51
23	Philip Chalifoux '51	54	Richard O'Connell '52
24	James Meridith '50	55	Arthur Capone '49
25	John Thomas '49	66	Charles Barnes '50
26	Philip Madonia '49	85	George Stropparo '52
27	Loring Stevenson '49	86	James Ewen '50
28	Charles Schwab '50	87	Anthony Petrides '49
29	James Carey '49	89	Ralph DeGeronimo '51
30	David Salomaki '50	90	Alexander Emma '49
33	Norman Goguen '49	92	Robert Atkinson '50

Coaches: Martin J. McDonough, Edward D. Sullivan

Faculty Manager: Ralph W. Howard

Student Managers: David Carlson
Carl Whitney

SCHEDULE

		F. H. S.	*Opponent*
Sept. 18	Drury	20	7
Sept. 25	Marlboro at Marlboro	13	18
Oct. 2	Clinton	0	7
Oct. 9	Brookline	14	6
Oct. 16	Gardner at Gardner	12	12
Oct. 23	St. Bernard's	13	6
Oct. 30	Watertown at Watertown	12	7
Nov. 6	Athol	14	12
Nov. 13	Woburn at Woburn	9	6
Nov. 25	Leominster	13	7

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Betty Smith '50, Phyllis Tarbell '50, Evelyn Secino '49

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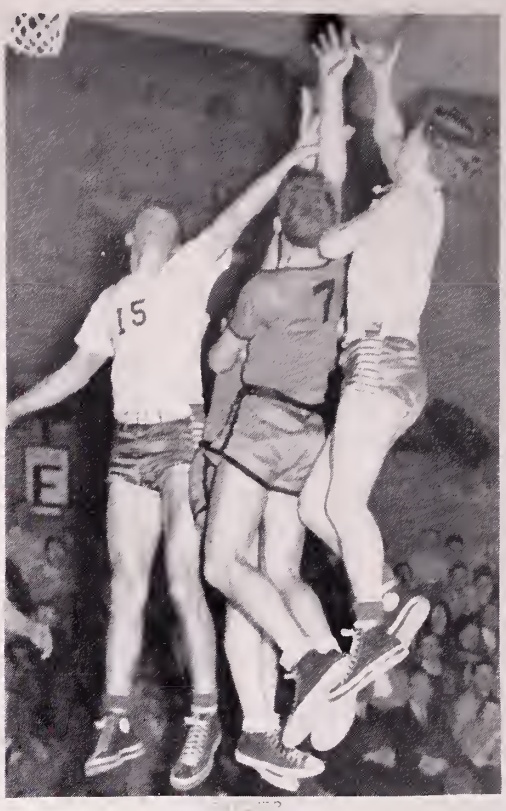
5 Loring Stevenson '49
6 Charles Sharos '50
8 Lucien Croteau '51
9 Arthur Capone '49
10 Charles Bowen '50
12 Richard Braks '49
14 Richard Miner '49
15 Charles Schwab '50
16 Leon Cote '49
18 Joseph Scola '49

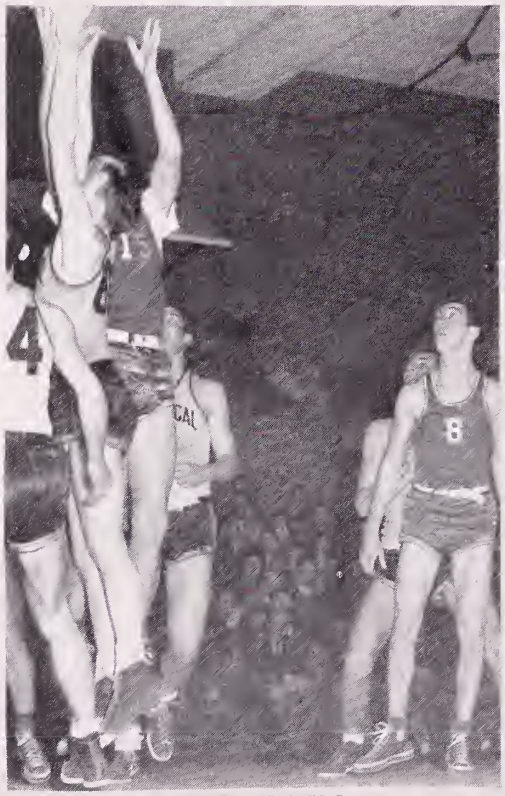
Coach: John D. Oliva

Student Manager: Christian Hanson

SCHEDULE

		F. H. S.	*Opp.*
Dec. 17	Athol	33	51
Dec. 21	Malden	32	58
Dec. 25	Alumni	34	32
Jan. 1	Nashua	35	45
Jan. 4	Clinton at Clinton	22	42
Jan. 11	St. Bernard's at St. Bernard's	24	31
Jan. 14	Nashua at Nashua	36	52
Jan. 18	Leominster at Leominster	35	41
Jan. 21	Manchester West	26	30
Jan. 25	Gardner	31	30
Jan. 28	Athol at Athol	29	31
Jan. 31	Worcester Classical at Worcester	42	49
Feb. 4	Clinton	54	26
Feb. 8	St. Bernard's	39	34
Feb. 11	Worcester Trade at Boston Garden	40	51
Feb. 14	Gardner at Gardner	36	49
Feb. 18	Worcester Classical	34	32
Feb. 22	Leominster	35	38





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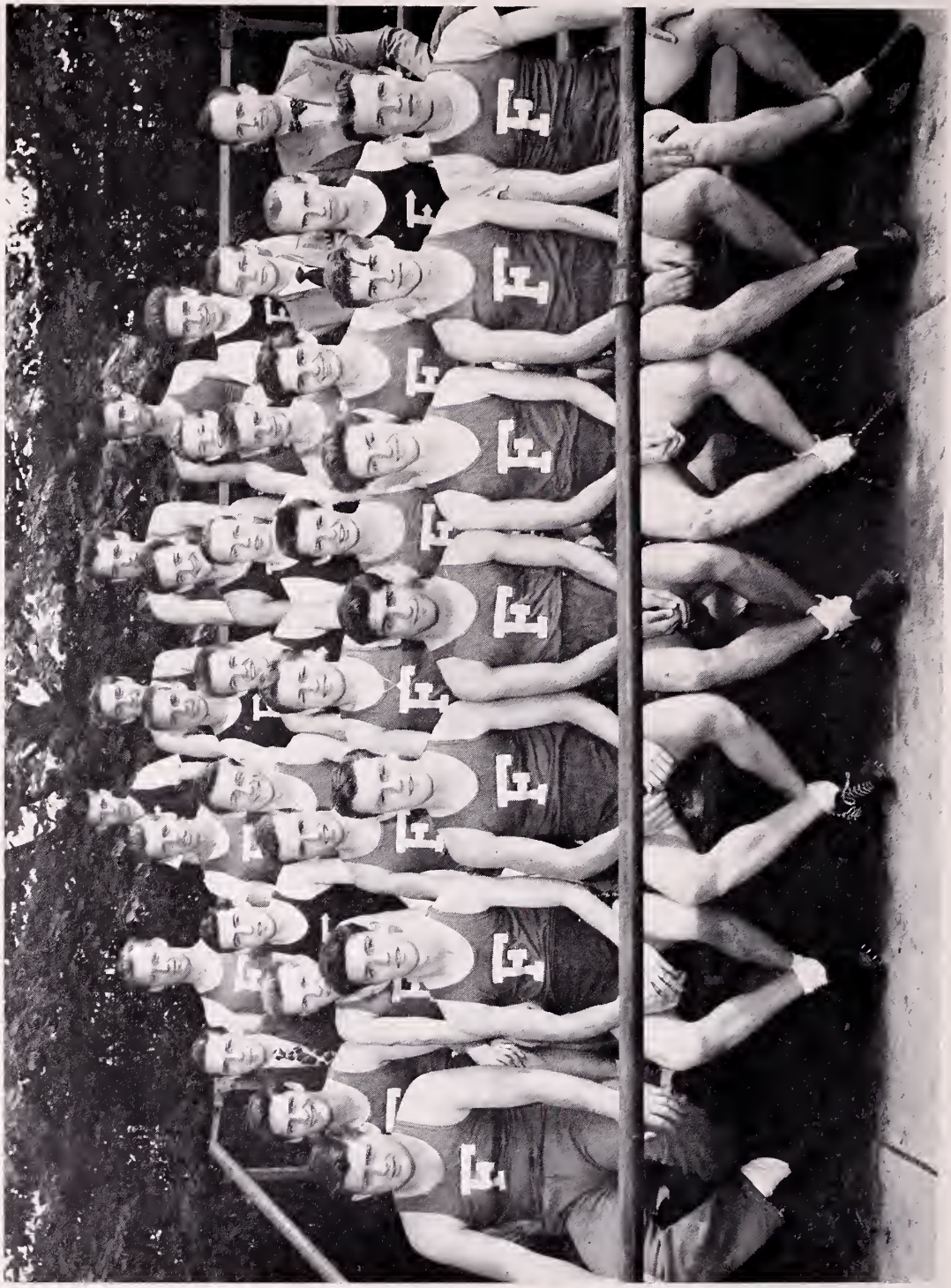

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Nord Davis '49
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Joseph Dwyer '52
Richard Elander '50
Richard Erickson '50
Ronald Erickson '51
Kenneth Fahlman '49
Al Formisani '51
Chester Fortier '51
Donald Frigoletto
Robert Gagnon '49
Norman Goguen '49
Richard Goguen '51
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Howard Learned '52
Joseph Machonis '51
Richard Miner '49
William O'Keefe '51
Waino Ollikkala '49
Herbert Pandiscio '49
Anthony Romano '51
David Salomaki '50
Charles Schwab '50
George Stropparo '52
George Thomas '51
Edward Walsh '49
Harlan Webster '49
Carl Whitney '49
Kenneth Fahlman '49, *Manager*

SCHEDULE

April 28	Nashua
May 11	Marlboro
May 14	Belmont Relays at Belmont
May 18	Worcester North and Commerce
May 21	State Meet
May 23	Leominster
May 28	Massachusetts State Relays at Amherst
June 1	Gardner
June 4	North Worcester County Meet (tentative)

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Fourth row: Kenneth Fahlman, Zeroon Damboorajian, Edward Walsh, Norman Goguen, Gerald Darcangelo, Philip Simon, Luigi DeCicco.

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Louis Cioffi '50
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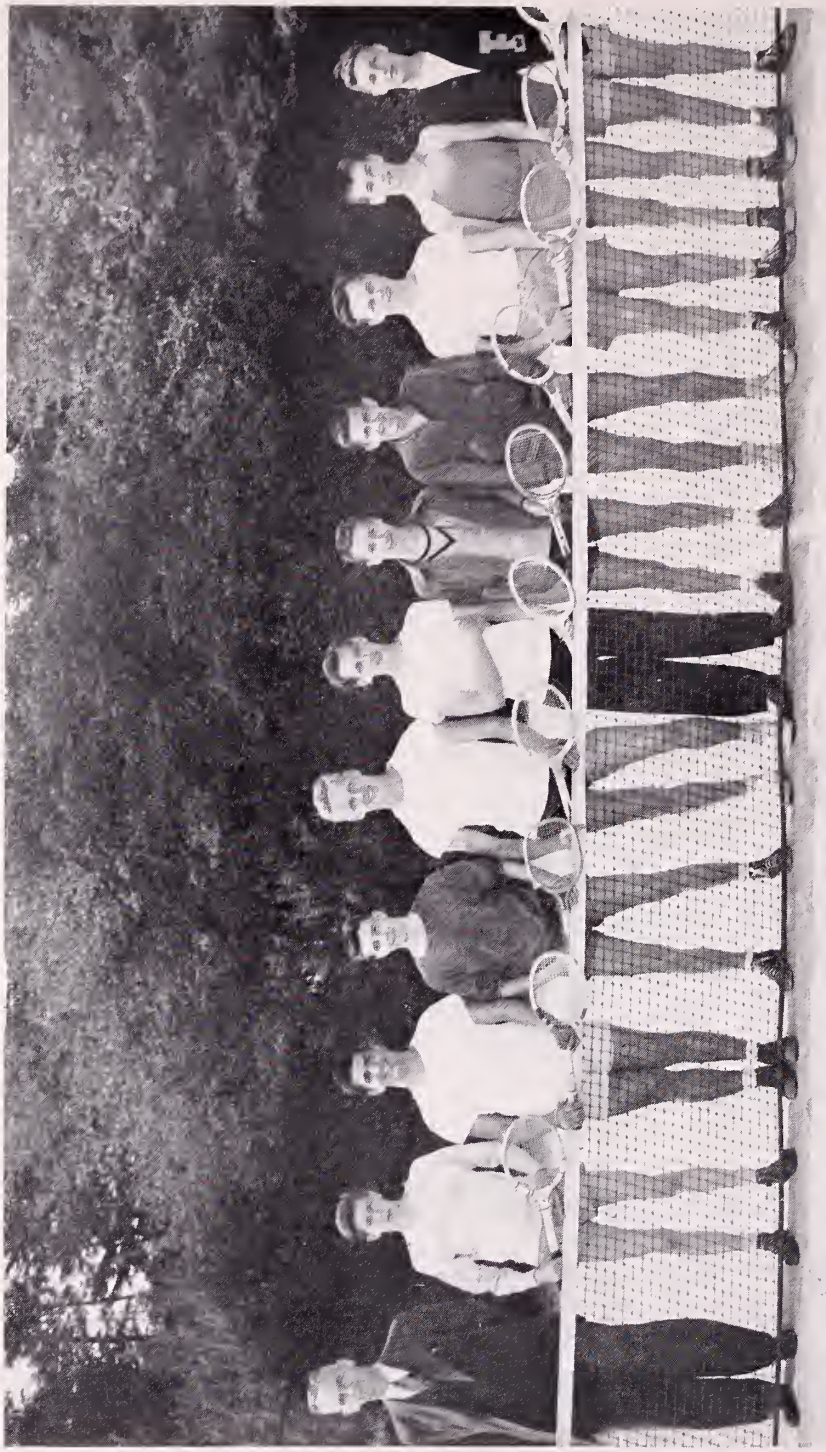
Loring Stevenson '49
Richard Taylor '50
Harold Welterlen '49
John Wofford '49
William Zerlin '50

Martin J. McDonough, *Coach*

Dennis Brailey '49, *Manager*

SCHEDULE

April	22	Clinton at Clinton
April	26	Marlboro
April	28	St. Bernard's at St. Bernard's
May	10	Gardner
May	13	Leominster at Leominster
May	16	Marlboro at Marlboro
May	18	Athol at Athol
May	20	Murdock
May	24	St. Bernard's
May	25	Keene at Keene
May	27	Murdock at Murdock
May	31	Leominster
June	3	Athol
June	6	Gardner at Gardner
June	10	Clinton



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Victor Hansen '50
Irving Hecker '49
James Holland '51
Stephen Keoseian '49
George Patterson '50
James Quill '52
Frank Sheehan '52

Francis Sheehan, *Coach*

SCHEDULE

May 5	Nashua	at Nashua, N. H.
May 9	Cushing Academy	at Ashburnham
May 11	Laurence Academy	at Fitchburg
May 14	Assumption	at Worcester
May 16	Cushing Academy	at Fitchburg
May 19	Nashua	at Fitchburg
May 21	State Tournament	at Boston
May 25	Assumption	at Fitchburg
May 28	Laurence Academy	at Groton

THE RED AND GRAY

ELIZABETH A. H. SLEEPER — *Dedicated to the Fitchburg High School* — ADA C. COGSWELL

Spirituoso — *cresc.*

1. All hail to our Al - ma Ma - ter, All hail to the Red and Gray, All hail to our dear old
2. All hail to our Al - ma Ma - ter, For dear to our hearts is she, Dear in the days now

cresc.

high school, We'll cher-ish her name for aye. We'll glo - ry in her tri - umph, We'll weep for her in her
fleet - ing, And dear in the years to be. And when, our school days o - ver, We meet on life's path

loss, We'll wear her crown of vic - t'ry, We'll bear the weight of her cross.
way, We'll greet with joy in pass - ing The friends of the Red and Gray.

ff

Three cheers for the Red and Gray, Al-ma Ma-ter we'll love for aye, We'll stand by the right and truth

rit.

She taught us in our youth. Her no - ble les-sons we'll hold fast, So long as life shall

a tempo *cresc.* *rit.*

last, Her praise and fame we'll sing for aye, Three cheers for the Red and Gray.

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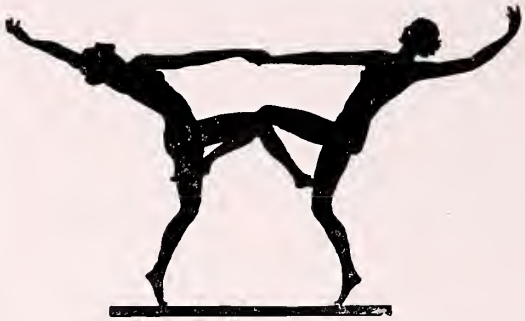

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